WE'LL BE GOING NOW. PLEASE STAY HEALTHY.
SQUEEZE

IT'S GONNA GET LONELY AGAIN
YOU'RE LEAVING THIS EARLY EVEN AFTER YOUR LONG TREK HERE? YOU SHOULD STAY AND REST A BIT LONGER.
WE RESTED ENOUGH. WE NEED TO GO NOW
SSH
WHAT'S SO HARD ABOUT RESTING ONE OR TWO MORE DAYS?

COME ON, IT'S NOT LIKE I'M NEVER COMING BACK. I'LL COME BACK
THAT'S TRUE, BUT...
HEH HEH.
DON'T WORRY.
I HAVE TO. PLEASE STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY.
HAHA, ALRIGHT.
CLENCH

YOU HAVE TO BE CAREFUL
I WILL ALWAYS BE HERE PRAYING FOR THE THREE OF YOU STAY SAFE, IREMY.
LADY WENDRA...
THANK YOU. I'M REALLY THANKFUL FOR THE LETTER OF INTRODUCTION FOR ME.
BOW

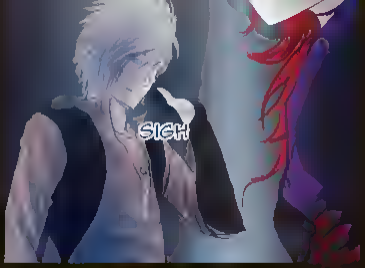
HAHA, I HOPE IT COMES OF GREAT USE

PLEASE STAY SAFE, ENZ AND METHEW.

THANK YOU.

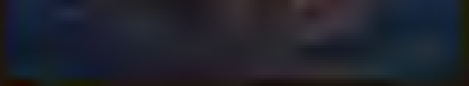
THANK YOU, LADY WENDRA.

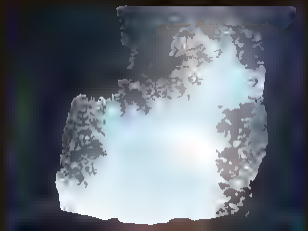
BYE.
WE'LL BE LEAVING NOW, GRANDMA
DON'T COME TOO FAR OUT
PLEASE STAY HEALTHY UNTIL WE NEXT MEET!

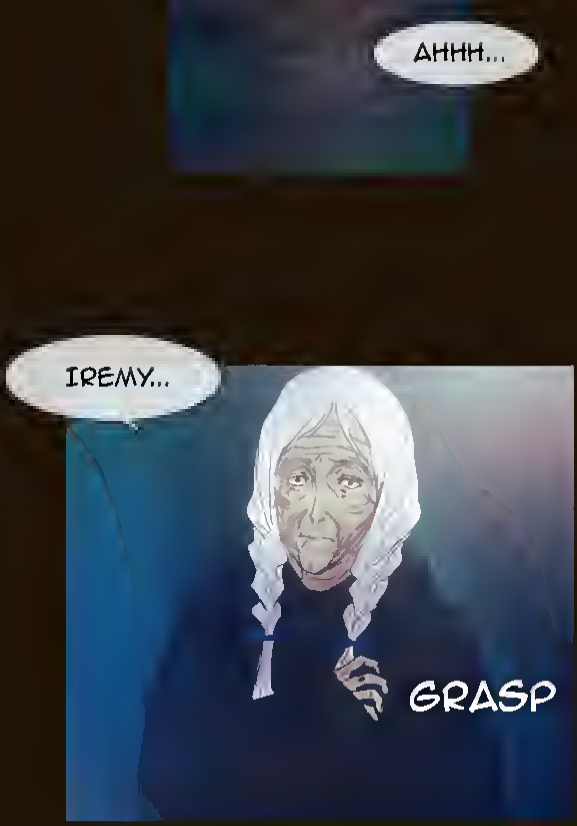

SIGH

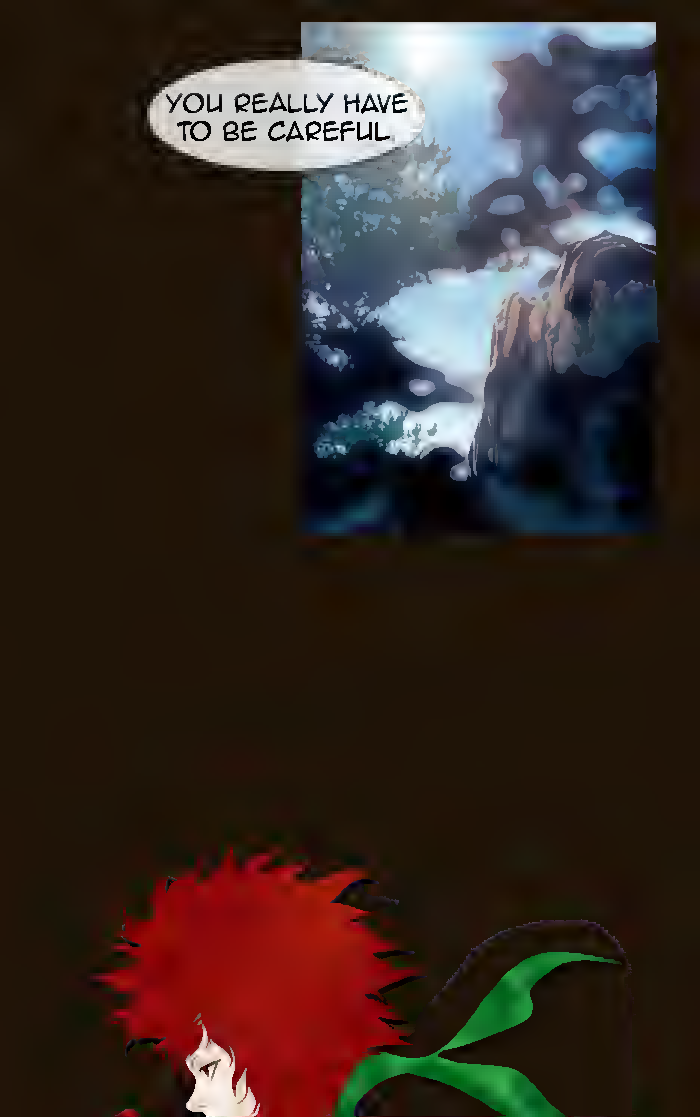
OKAY, ALWAYS TAKE CARE OF YOURSELVES!!!
SSH

IREMY, YOU HAVE TO BE CAREFUL!!!
WAVE
WAVE
TAKE CARE!!!
OKAY, HURRY UP AND GO IN!!!






AHHH...
IREMY...
GRASP


YOU REALLY HAVE TO BE CAREFUL

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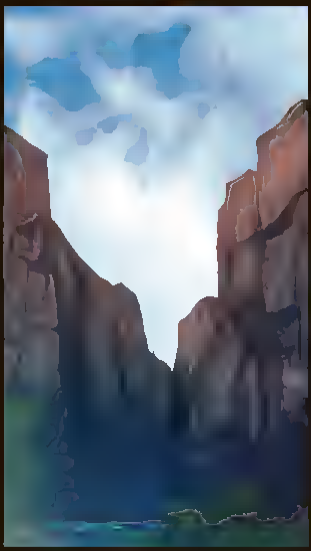
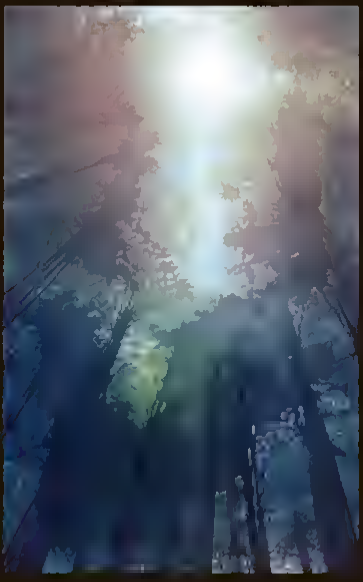
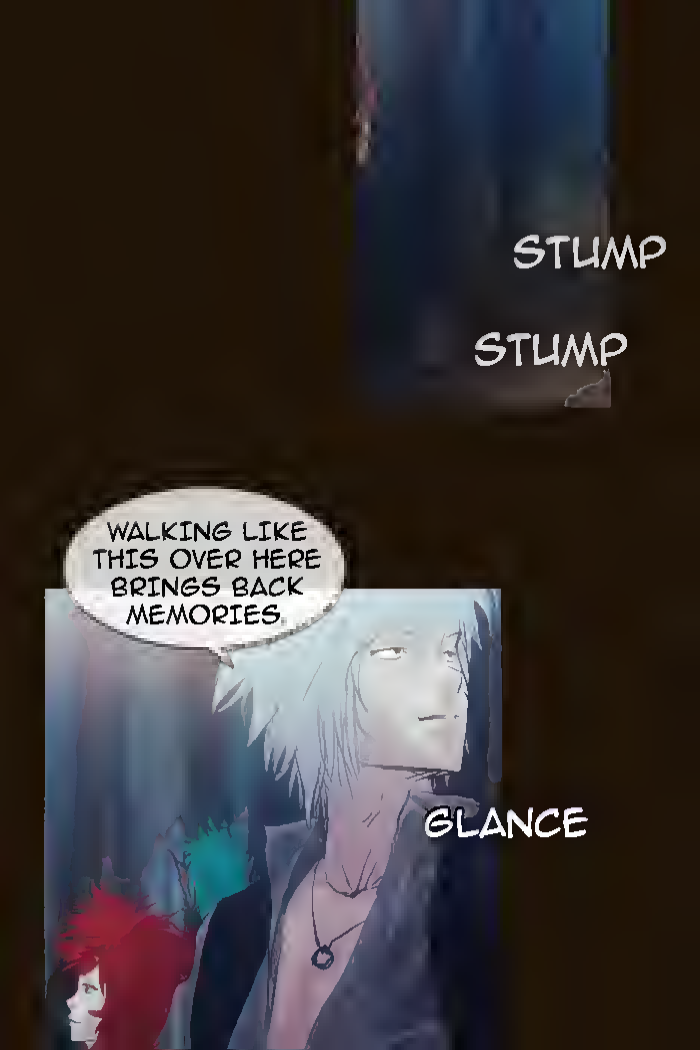


SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH

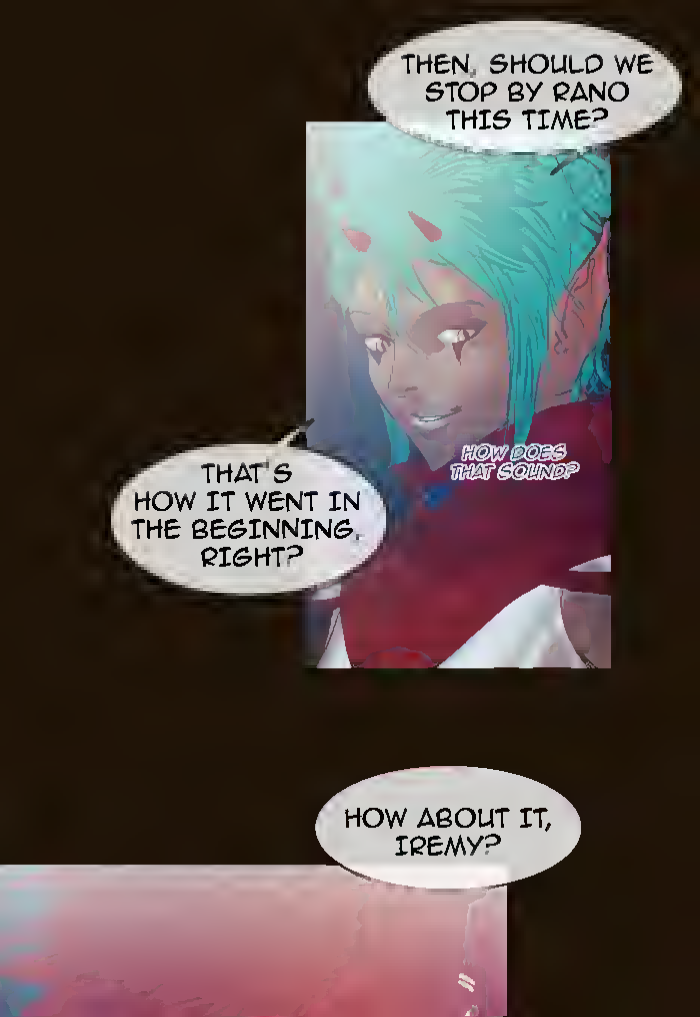
GRAB MY HAND.
HAHAHA.
I'LL PASS.

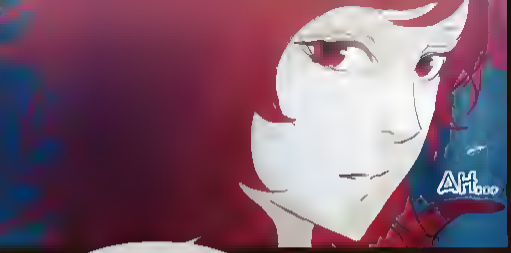



STUMP
STUMP
WALKING LIKE THIS OVER HERE BRINGS BACK MEMORIES.
GLANCE

AHH...
IT WAS US THREE WALKING WHEN WE WERE HEADING BACK TO THE CONTINENT, RIGHT?
YOU GUYS WERE ALL SO FULL OF CONFIDENCE THEN.
I MISS THOSE DAYS.
AT FIRST, WE WALKED HERE WITH ETHERMASK...

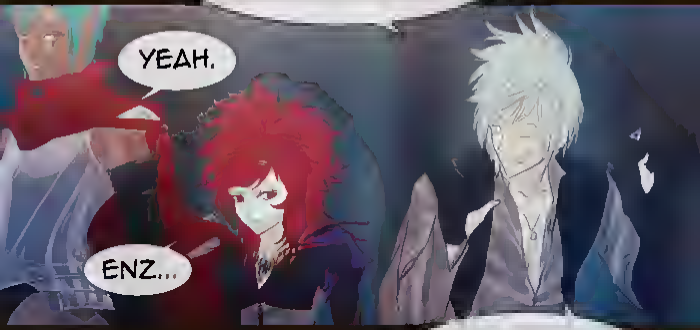
DROOP
IREMY...
SIGH...
THAT WAS THE BEGINNING...


THEN, SHOULD WE STOP BY RANO THIS TIME?
HOW DOES THAT SOUND?
THAT'S HOW IT WENT IN THE BEGINNING, RIGHT?
HOW ABOUT IT, IREMY?



METHEW...

YEAH, WE GOT HELP FROM THE MERCHANT, SO WE STILL HAVE A LOT OF MONEY LEFT



LET'S TRAVEL COMFORTABLY.

YOU ALL...

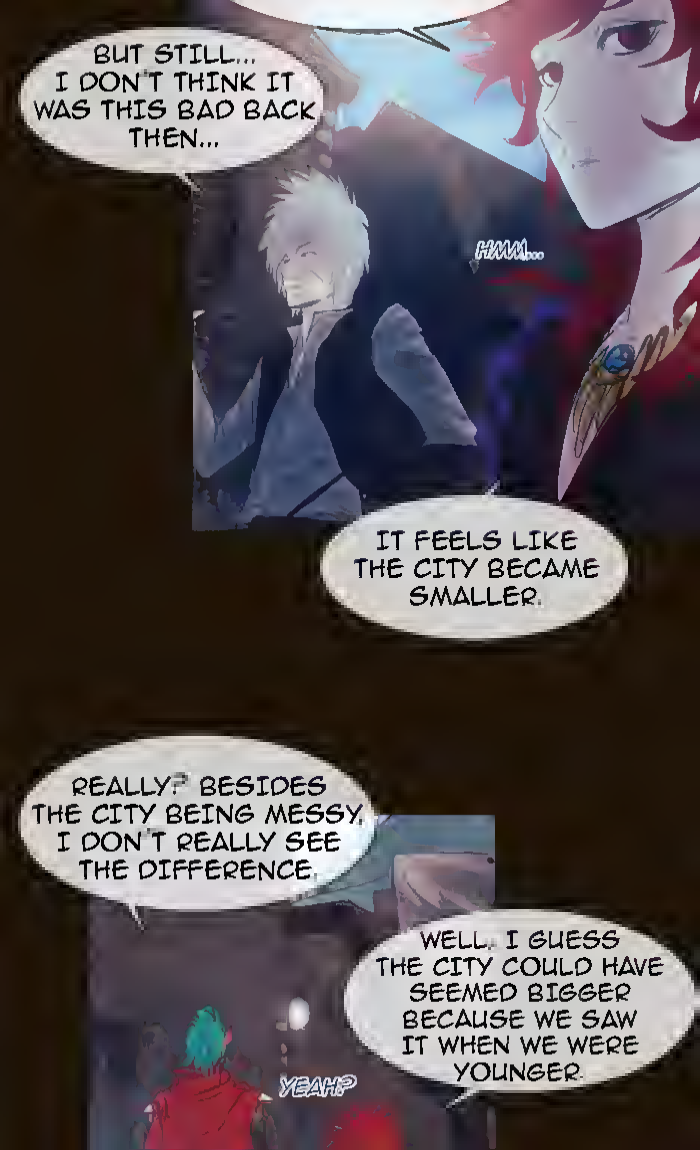
GRIN
FINE, LET'S GO EAT SOME GOOD FOOD~!!
GO, GO!
HOP
LET'S ALSO GET THE BEST ROOM AVAILABLE.

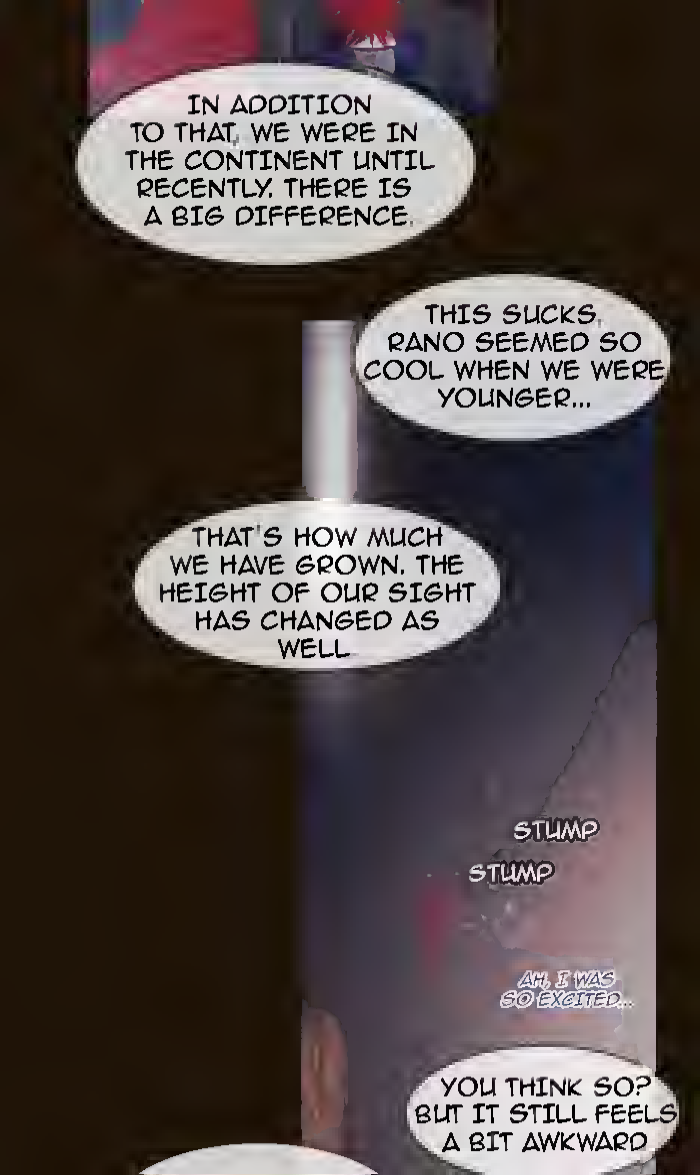
HAHAHAHA.
OH, I'M SO EXCITED.
WHAT IS FAMOUS IN RANO?
LAMB SKEWERS, NO?
OHHH, SOUNDS GOOD!
YEAH, LAMB SKEWERS. LET'S GO EAT THAT FIRST.

OKAY. OKAY.
I'M FILLED WITH ENERGY ALL OF A SUDDEN!
ALL THEY THINK ABOUT IS EATING.
RANO.

...EHHHHH?
DRIP
SOMETHING SEEMS

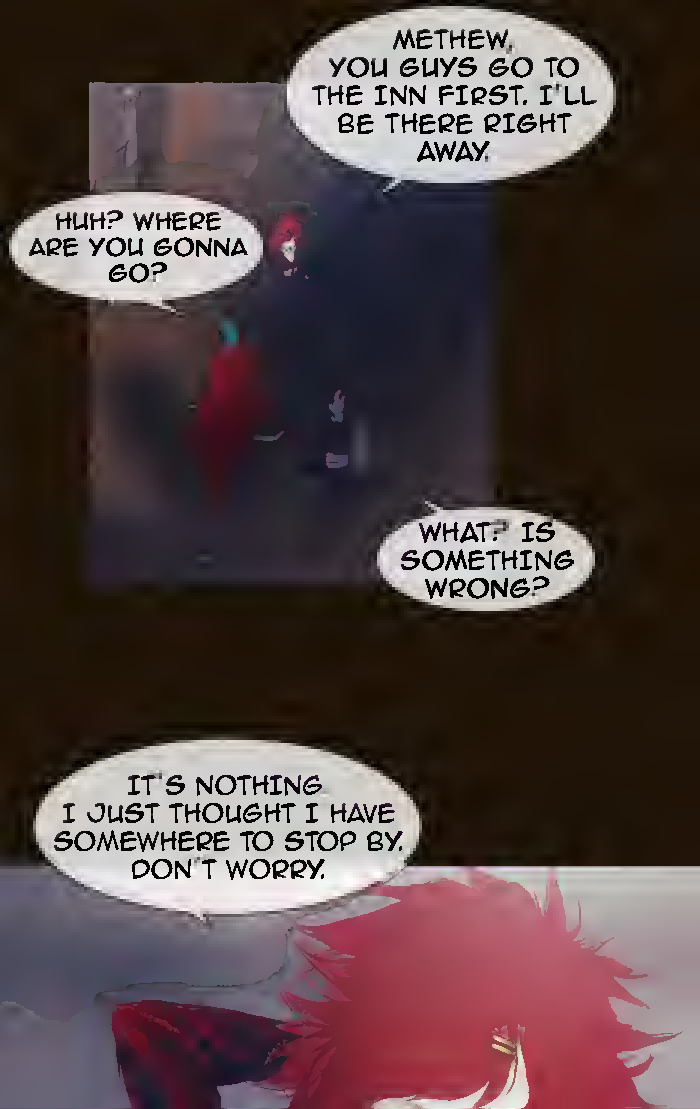
W, WAS RANO ALWAYS LIKE THIS? IT CHANGED A BIT
IT'S TOO QUIET. IT'S SO MESSY HERE.
I DON'T SEE ANYONE.
STUMP
STUMP
IT LOOKS LIKE THERE AREN'T MANY PEOPLE BECAUSE EVERYONE WENT TO THE CONTINENT


BUT STILL... I DON'T THINK IT WAS THIS BAD BACK THEN...
HMM...
IT FEELS LIKE THE CITY BECAME SMALLER.
REALLY? BESIDES THE CITY BEING MESSY, I DON'T REALLY SEE THE DIFFERENCE.
WELL, I GUESS THE CITY COULD HAVE SEEMED BIGGER BECAUSE WE SAW IT WHEN WE WERE YOUNGER.
YEAH?

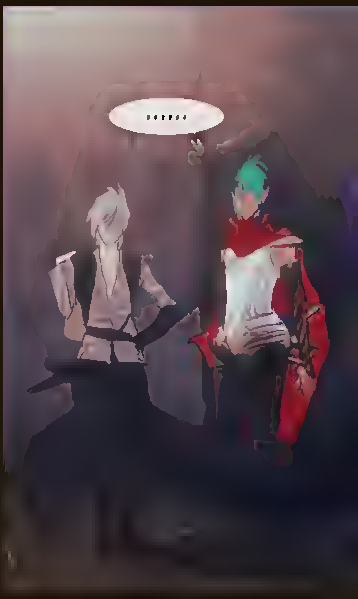

IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE WERE IN THE CONTINENT UNTIL RECENTLY. THERE IS A BIG DIFFERENCE.
THIS SUCKS. RANO SEEMED SO COOL WHEN WE WERE YOUNGER...
THAT'S HOW MUCH WE HAVE GROWN. THE HEIGHT OF OUR SIGHT HAS CHANGED AS WELL
STUMP
STUMP
AH, I WAS SO EXCITED...
YOU THINK SO? BUT IT STILL FEELS A BIT AWKWARD

YEAH. IT DOES. AH..
HEY, METHEW. I'D SAY IT'S LIKE THE FANTASY OF MY FIRST LOVE WHEN YOUNGER BEING STOMPED ON. GET IT?
OH?
SIGH...
WHAT THE...? WASN'T YOUR FIRST LOVE, IREMY?
AH, M...METHEW!! NOT IN FRONT OF IREMY!!!
MMM...

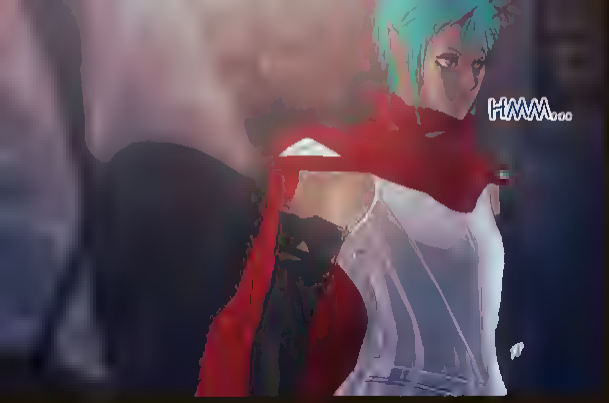
RUSH
RUSH
HAHAHA.
HUH? WHAT ARE YOU TWO WHISPERING ABOUT?
AH, IT'S NOTHING!!!
TURN
AHAHAHAHA!
STOP LAUGHING, METHEW!!!


METHEW, YOU GUYS GO TO THE INN FIRST. I'LL BE THERE RIGHT AWAY.
HUH? WHERE ARE YOU GONNA GO?
WHAT? IS SOMETHING WRONG?
IT'S NOTHING I JUST THOUGHT I HAVE SOMEWHERE TO STOP BY. DON'T WORRY.

HEH HEH.
GO FIRST.
I'LL SEE YOU GUYS THERE. I'LL SEE YOU AT THE INN, METHEW
UH, OKAY...
STEP

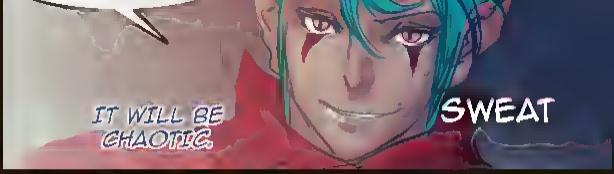


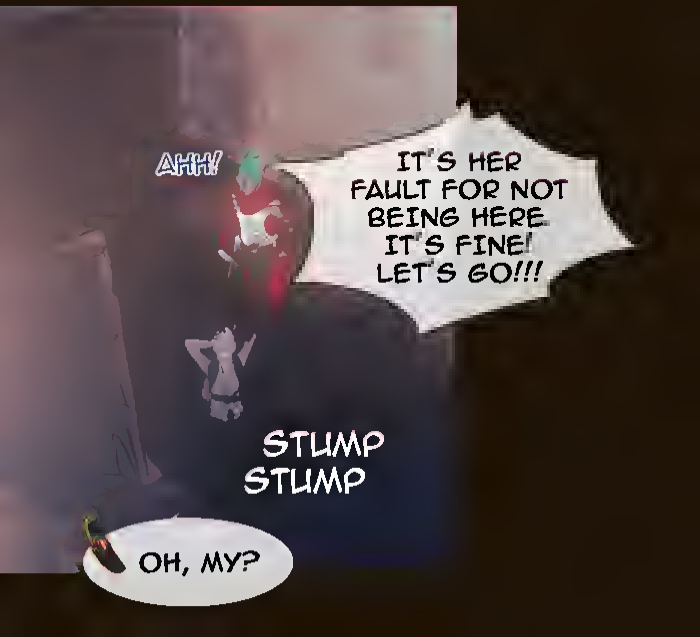
WHAT COULD IT BE THIS TIME? SHE'S BEEN DOING THAT A LOT THESE DAYS.



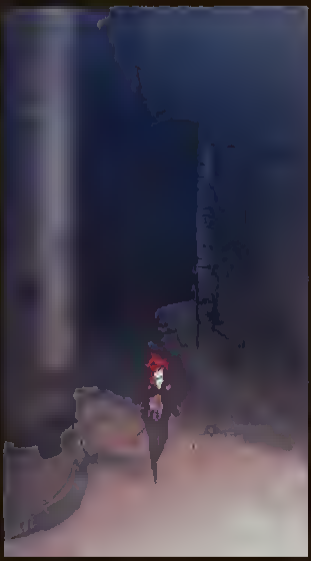
THEN, SHALL
WE GO AND EAT

SOME OF THOSE FAMOUS RANO LAMB SKEWERS?!!!
WHAT?!!
HMPH!
STARTLE
LEAN
EHH?!
IREMY IS GONNA BE REALLY MAD IF WE GO ON OUR OWN. YOU OKAY WITH THAT?


IT WILL BE CHAOTIC.
SWEAT

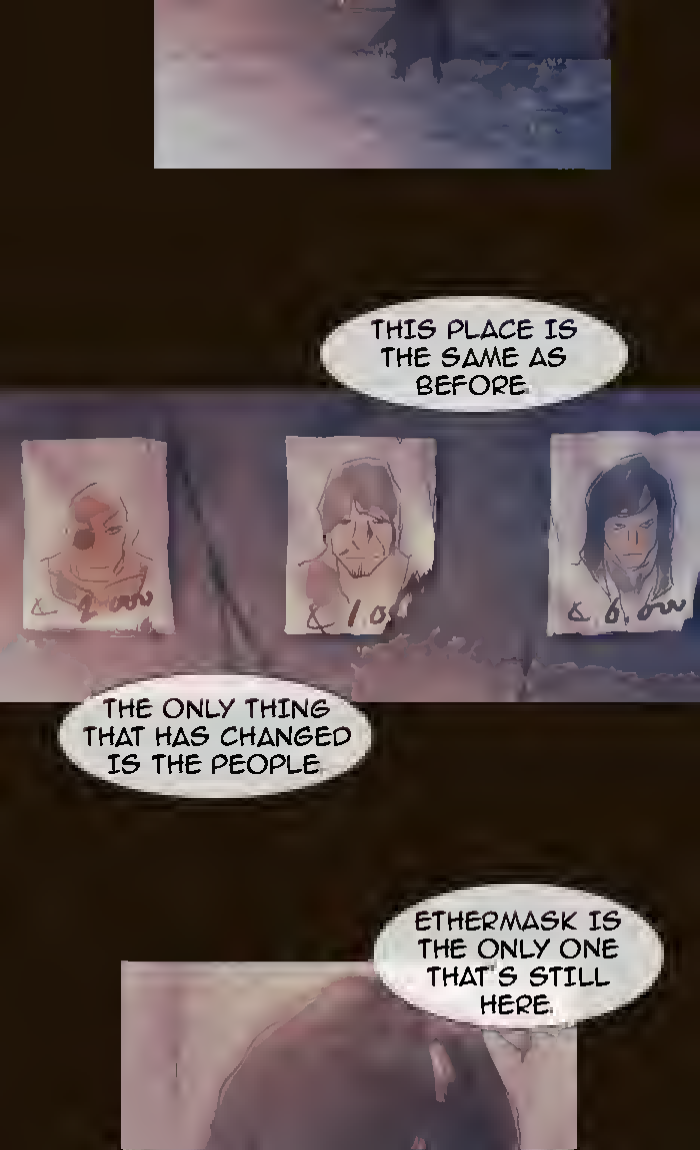

AHH!
IT'S HER FAULT FOR NOT BEING HERE. IT'S FINE! LET'S GO!!!
STUMP STUMP
OH, MY?

ENZ, I'M NOT TAKING ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS.
IT'S FINE. DON'T WORRY.
BLIT...
HAHA, I CAN IMAGINE WHAT WILL HAPPEN LATER.



STUMP

STUMP
HALT
.....


THIS PLACE IS THE SAME AS BEFORE.
THE ONLY THING THAT HAS CHANGED IS THE PEOPLE.
ETHERMASK IS THE ONLY ONE THAT'S STILL HERE.

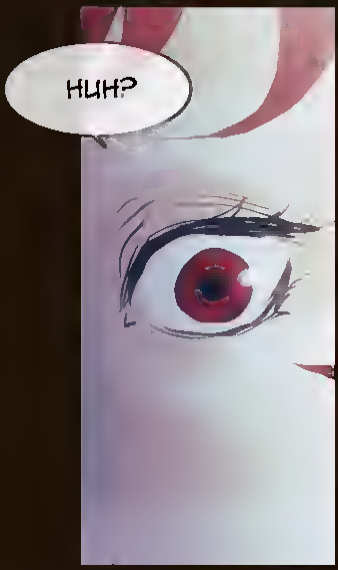
EVEN THOUGH MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED... AH, SOMETHING HAS CHANGED

THE PRICE ON HIS HEAD HAS GONE UP A LOT.

ETHERMASK DIDN'T EVEN REALLY DO ANYTHING WRONG.
THE WORLD CAN'T JUST LET HIM LIVE IN PEACE

TAP
SSH

SSH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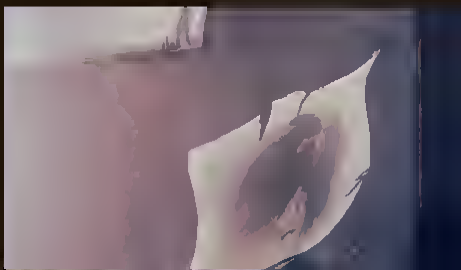
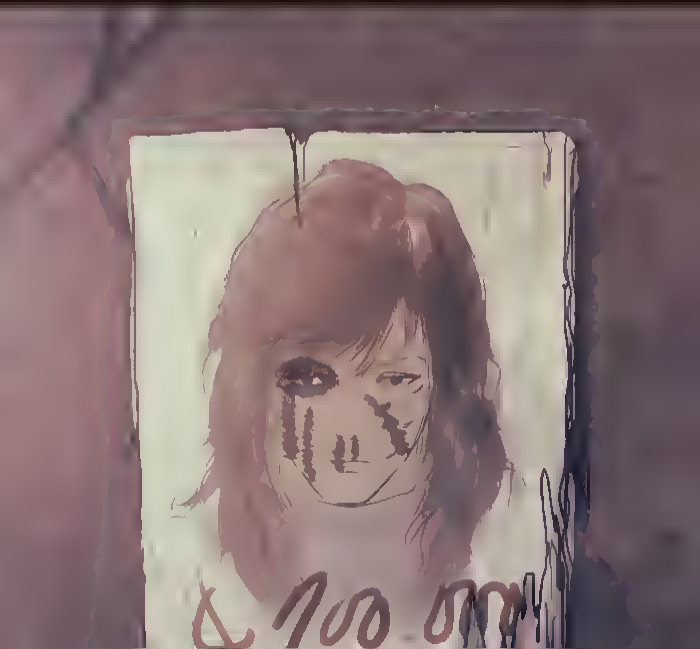


FLUTTER

AH!
SSH

THE WANTED NOTICE...

PICK



OH, COME ON.

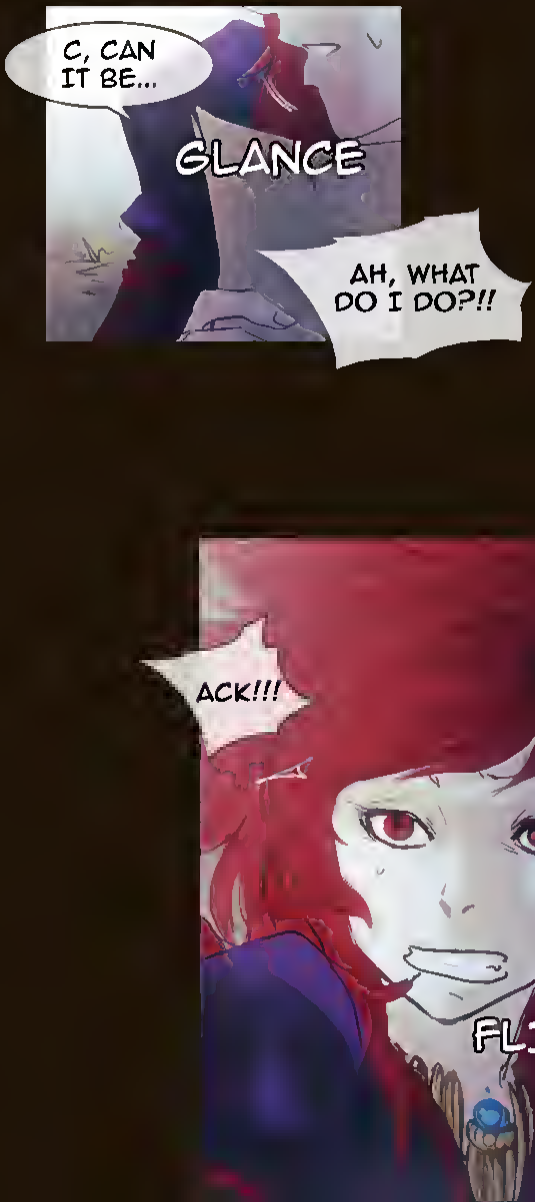
IT'S NOT POSTED ON RIGHT

SSH

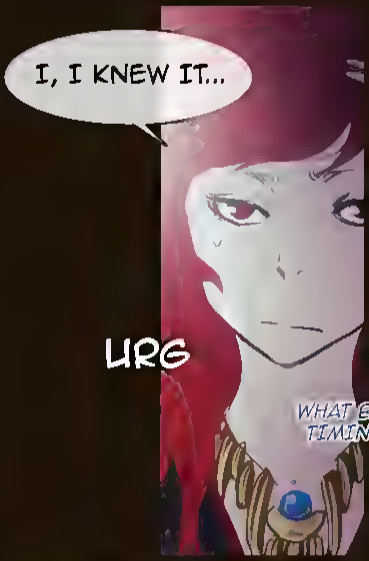
WH, WHAT...?!!!

TAP
WHAT DO I DO?
URG...
KYAAAAAAK!!!
KYAK!!!
WH, WHO...!!!
WHO DID THAT TO SIR ETHERMASK'S FACE...?!!!

FLINCH
I CAME ALL THE WAY HERE, BUT WHAT IS THIS?!
SWEAT
S, SIR... ETHERMASK...?


C, CAN IT BE...
GLANCE
AH, WHAT DO I DO?!!
ACK!!!
FLINCH

WHO HAS DONE SUCH A HORRID THING?!
CALM DOWN, MISS.
SSH
AH, I'M SO SAD!



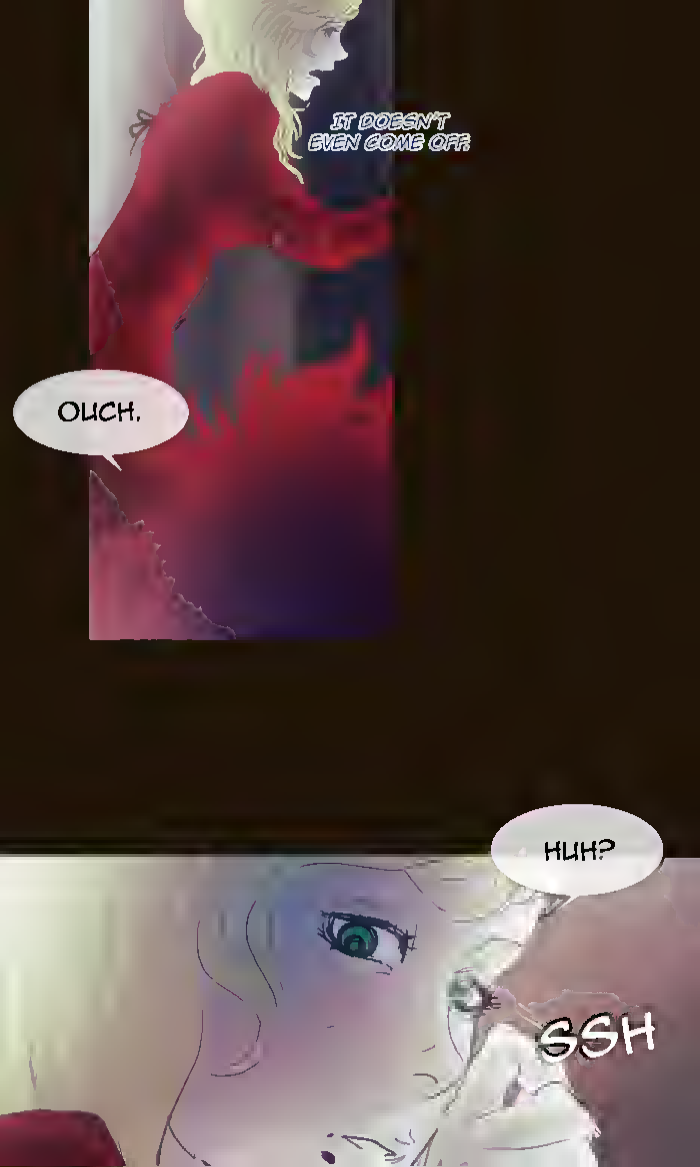
HOW COULD SOMEONE DRAW ON SIR ETHERMASK'S WONDERFUL FACE...?

TEARY TEARY
AHHH....
WHO WOULD DO SUCH A THING...? THIS IS UNFORGIVABLE
M. MOLIVIOR... WHY ARE YOU HERE...?
ACK!
SSH

I CANNOT JUST LET THIS SLIDE!!!
AHH!
SIR ETHERMASK!
BUMP
KYA!!!

URGH!!!
FLUTTER
FLOP

AH, SIR ETHERMASK...

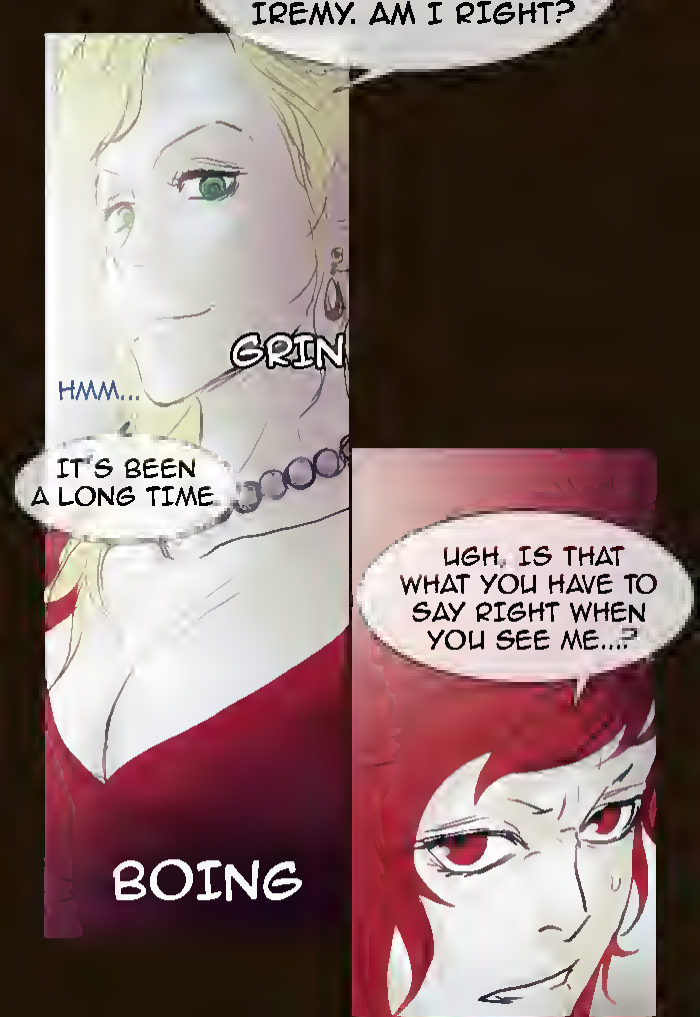

IT DOESN'T EVEN COME OFF.
OUCH.
HUH?
SSH

YOU'RE....
SNIFFLE
THE ONE WHO ACTS UNEDUCATED SPITS OUT WHATEVER IS ON YOUR MIND BAD-MOUTHED
OUCH EH?
RUB RUB
HAS

A KID'S BODY, ACTS LIKE A CLOWN...

TRIES TO ACT ALL NOBLE WHEN YOU AREN'T, FOLLOWS ENZ AROUND ALL DAY,

HIGH-MAINTENANCE GIRL WHO ALWAYS CAUSES TROUBLE,


IREMY. AM I RIGHT?
GRIN
HMM...
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME
BOING
UGH. IS THAT WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY RIGHT WHEN YOU SEE ME...?

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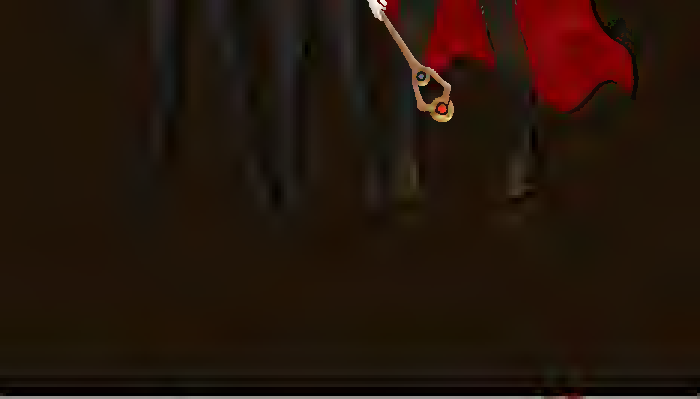

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YOU'RE...

A TROUBLE CAUSING MAINTENANCE GIRL.
RAGE

UGH
FLAT-CHESTED.
RAGE
PIG.
UGH
ETHERMASK FANATIC HAG.

BZZZT
HOW DARE, YOU LITTLE...
WHATEVER.

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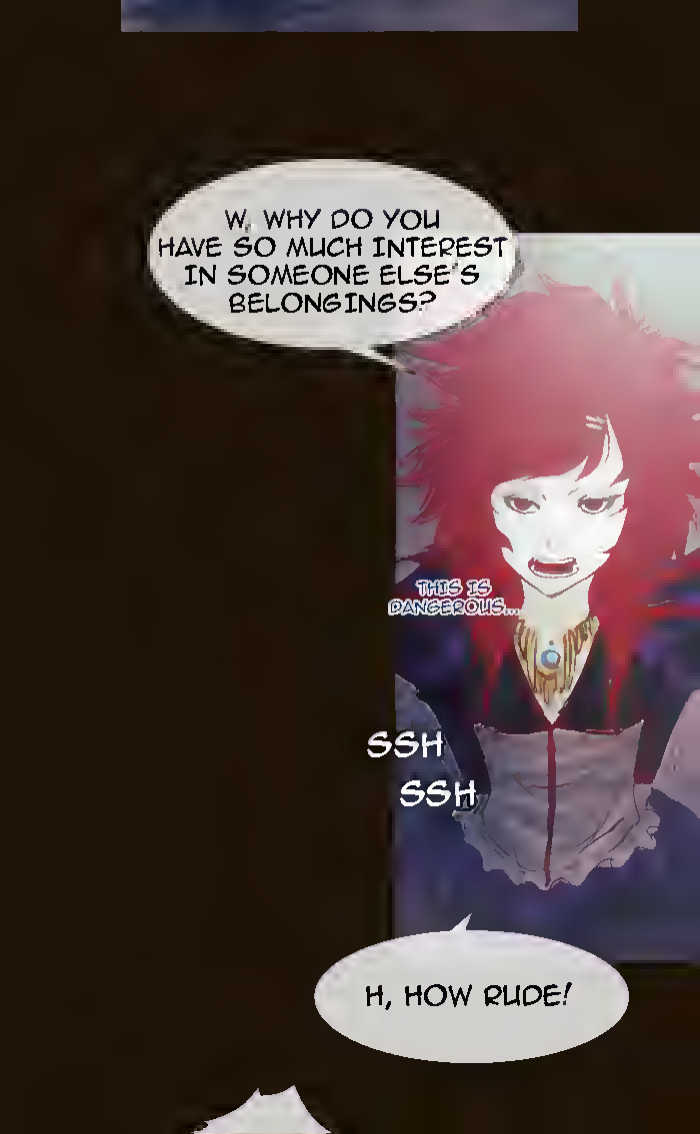
HUH?
EVEN FACING YOU IS VERY UNPLEASANT.
WHAT'S THAT BEHIND YOU?
EH?
AH!

???
ACK!
ETHERMASK'S WANTED POSTER...

IF I GET CAUGHT WITH THIS...
SWISH
HUH?
WHAT WAS THAT JUST NOW?
WHAT ARE YOU HIDING?

??
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
THIS ANGERS ME. WHAT IS IT?
ANGER
ROLL ROLL
PULL IT OUT!!!


W, WHY DO YOU HAVE SO MUCH INTEREST IN SOMEONE ELSE'S BELONGINGS?
THIS IS DANGEROUS...
SSH
SSH
H, HOW RUDE!

WH, WHAT?
R, RUDE?!!!
PHAT
YES,
RUDE!!!
STAND
AND WHY WOULD
YOU COME TO
RANO WHEN IT'S
SO ISOLATED?!

AH...
FLINCH
FLINCH
DID YOU FOLLOW US LIKE SOME STALKER?
S, STALKER? AHH....
Ahh...
WOBBLE
P, PIERRE? PIERRE...
YEAH, STALKER!!!

ARE YOU OKAY?!
FLOP
AHH...
OH, PIERRE... I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M BEING TREATED THIS WAY...
WHAT THE HELL?
AHHH, I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M BEING INSULTED LIKE THIS... HOW UNPLEASANT

MMM...
PLEASE CALM DOWN, MISS.
AHH... PIERRE, I WOULD NO LONGER LIKE TO TALK WITH THAT UNEDUCATED GIRL. PLEASE TALK FOR ME
WHAT A DAMN JOKE
SIGH...
I'LL TELL HER RIGHT AWAY. WHAT IS IT YOU WANT TO SAY?

TELL HER I AM OFFENDED AND HER ACTIONS WERE RUDE.
SHE SAID SHE WAS OFFENDED AND YOU WERE RUDE...
I CAN HEAR EVERYTHING!!!
URG...
RAGE
AHHH...
LOOK, PIERRE. YOU CAN TELL SHE IS UNEDUCATED BY THE WAY SHE ACTS
PLEASE CALM DOWN.

PLEASE JUST LET IT GO, MISS.
PHAT
ARE YOU SERIOUS?!
OH, PIERRE. I DON'T WANT TO MAKE ANY EXCUSES, BUT I CAN'T JUST LET THIS GO.
I DON'T HAVE ANY MORE ENERGY TO LISTEN TO HER ANTICS, PIERRE. PLEASE HANDLE THIS SITUATION.

NOD
YES, MISS. LET ME HANDLE THIS.
HEY, IREMY? I THINK YOU HAVE GOTTEN SOMETHING VERY MISTAKEN.
SSH

SHE DIDN'T COME TO RANO TO STALK YOU YOU ARE MISTAKEN.
YOU SEE, ETHERMASK...
PIERRE, "THE NOBLE AND WONDERFUL" ETHERMASK!!!
THIS IS A JOKE.
SWEAT
AH, SORRY. THE NOBLE AND WONDERFUL ETHERMASK...
NINE YEARS AGO, HE HAS COME BACK FROM 10 YEARS OF INACTIVITY.

UH-HUH.
NOD
NOD
AND THE FIRST PLACE HIS NAME HAD COME BACK UP WAS RANO.
SHE JUST WANTED TO FIND ANY KIND OF CLUE TO THE NOBLE AND WONDERFUL ETHERMASK'S WHEREABOUTS.
BABBLE BABBLE
.....

AND THAT'S WHY WE CAME HERE. DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW?
URGH
SHE WILL GO [illegible] IF I TELL HER I TRAVELED WITH ETHERMASK, RIGHT?
SO, IT WAS A BIG MISTAKE THINKING THAT MISS MOLIVIOR WAS A STALKER OR WHATEVER.
OH, PIERRE. THAT WAS PERFECT.
HAHA.

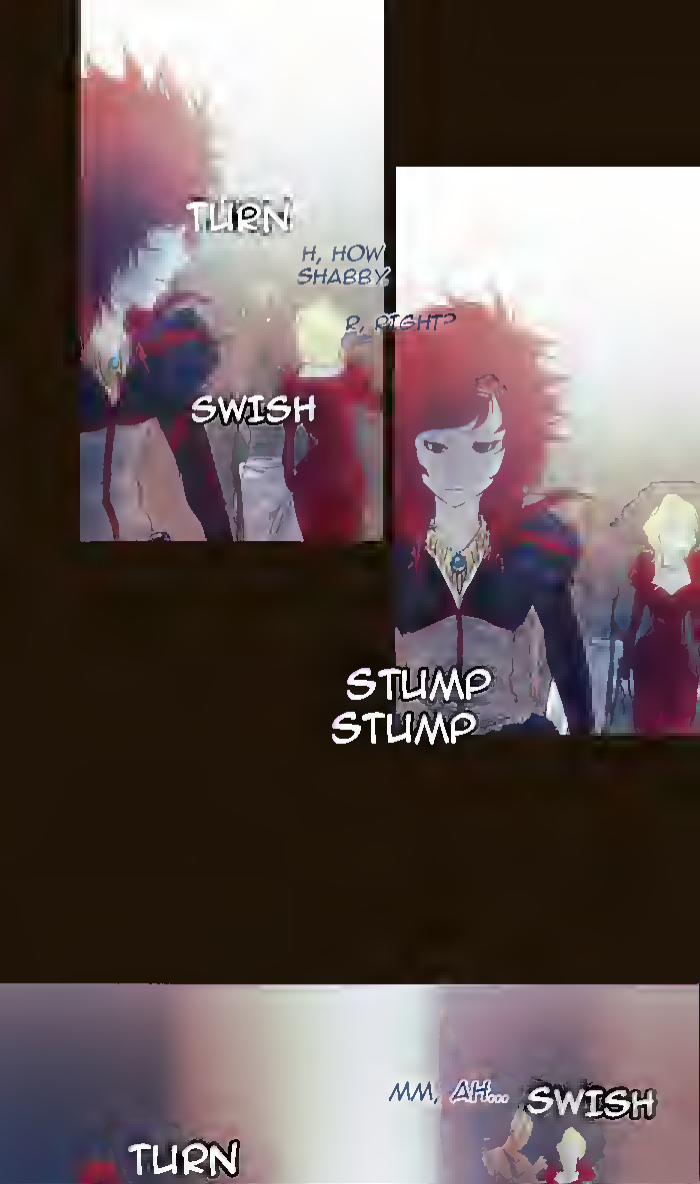
IT WAS NOTHING. I JUST TOLD HER YOUR THOUGHTS, MY BEAUTIFUL LADY.
OH, PIERRE...
HOW DO YOU UNDERSTAND ME SO WELL...?
EASY EASY...
OKAY, OKAY. I GOT IT.
IT WAS MY MISTAKE. REALLY.

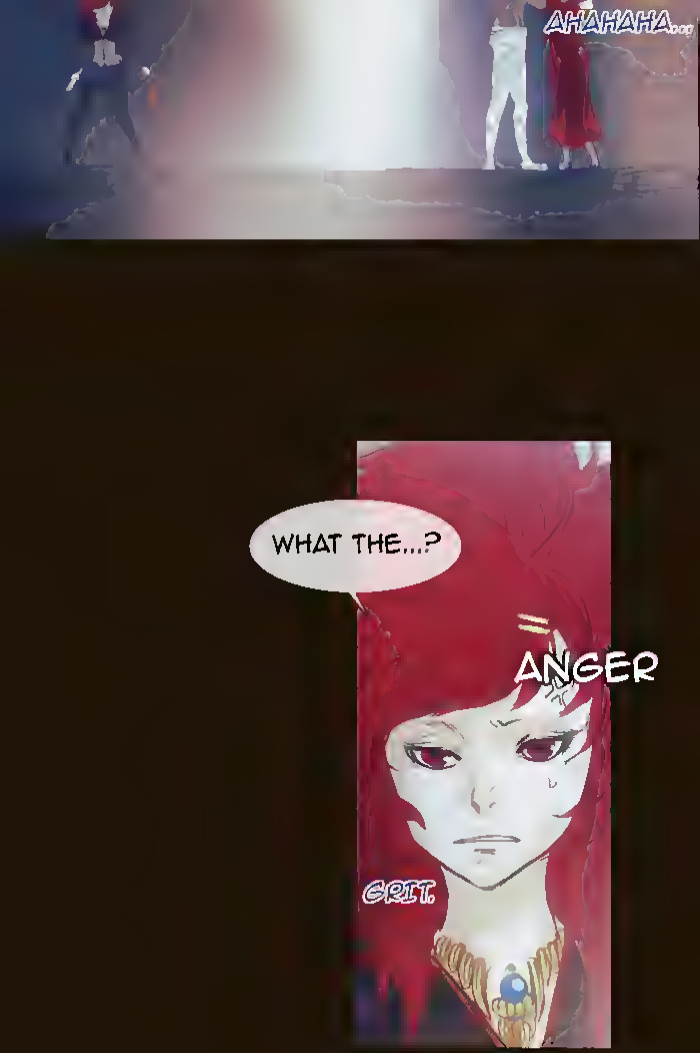
I CAN'T DEAL WITH THEM ANYMORE.
TURN
I'M GETTING SICK OF THIS.
HUH?
I NEED TO GET OUT OF HERE OR SOMETHING
TH, THEN I'LL BE LEAVING NOW.

GRIN
I HOPE YOU FIND YOUR CLUES BYE...
.....
STUMP
STUMP

STUMP
STUMP

HUH?
HALT


TURN
SWISH
H, HOW SHABBY.
R, RIGHT?
STUMP STUMP
TURN
MM, AH...
SWISH


AHAHAHA...
WHAT THE...?
ANGER
GRIT.

HAHA...
ACK!
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING?
ARE YOU GUYS FOLLOWING ME?
F, FOLLOWING? WE'RE JUST GOING OUR WAY.
IT'S NOT LIKE I'D FOLLOW YOU INSTEAD OF HIM OR WHATEVER

PHEW~
AHAHAHA...
TREMBLE TREMBLE
Y, YEAH. SH, SHE'S RIGHT.
THESE LITTLE...
LEAN
I, I DON'T HAVE A, ANY INTEREST IN ENZ NOW!
HAHA, OF COURSE
WE JUST NEED A PLACE TO STAY AND..
SIGH... LET IT SLIDE.

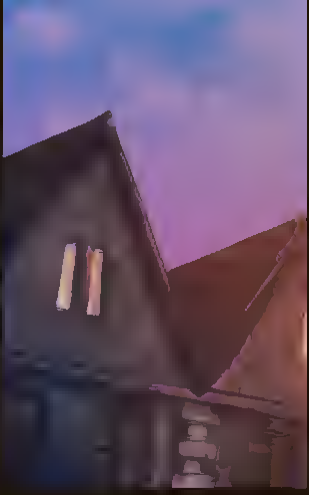
SNEAK
SNEAK

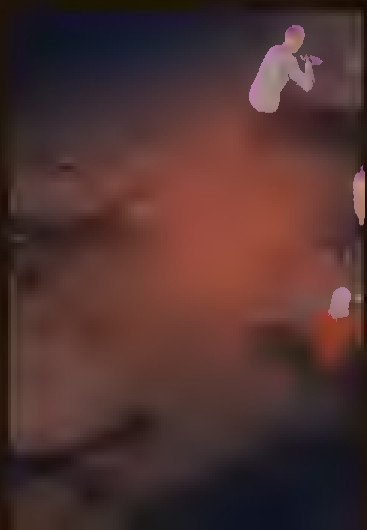
FOOD...
WINCE
ZO-OM

WH, WHAT ?!!!
RUSH RUSH
P. PIERRE, HURRY!!!
KATA

YES, MA'AM!!!
KATA KATA
D, DON'T LET HER OUT OF YOUR SIGHT!!!
STOP FOLLOWING ME!!!
WHERE IS IT?!
KATA KATA

SO ANNOYING!!!
KATA
PIERRE, PIERRE?!
OVER HERE, MISS!!!





BANG

FLINCH
STARTLE
HUFF
HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

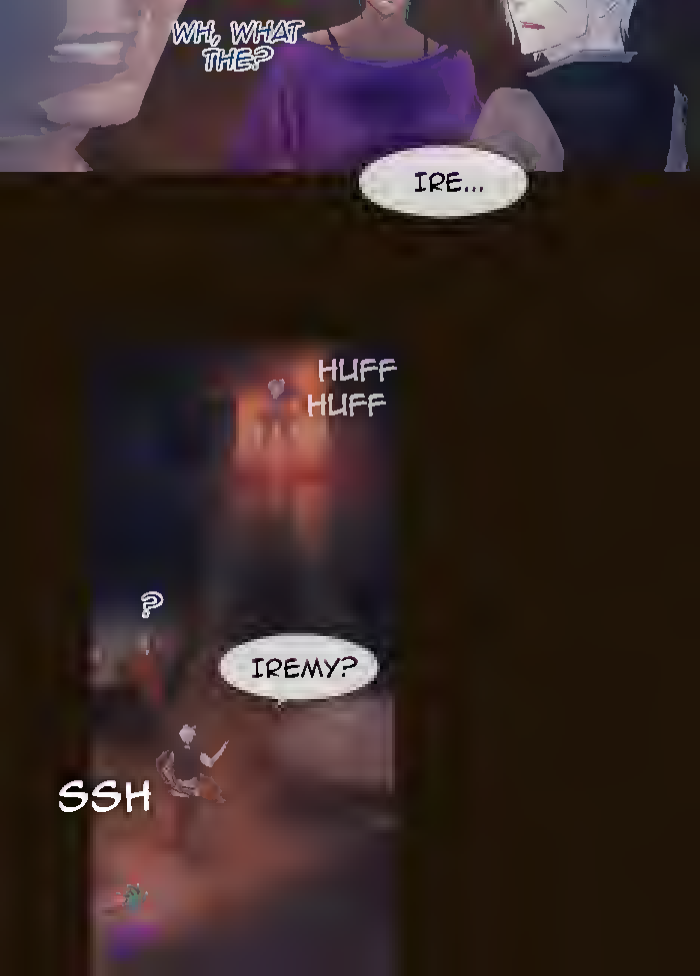
HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

AHHH....
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF, I'M SO TIRED.
HUFF
HUFF
AHHHH...
EH?


WH, WHAT THE?
IRE...
HUFF HUFF
?
IREMY?
SSH

WHAT'S WRONG? WHY ARE YOU IN THAT STATE?
DROOP
YOU'RE COVERED IN SWEAT.
DID SOMETHING BAD HAPPEN?
OR WERE YOU BEING CHASED BY SOMEONE...?

HUH?
BEHIND YOU...
STARTLE
HUFF
HUFF HUFF
HUH?!
HUFF

DRIP
GRIT!
ARGH!!!
STUBBORN BASTARDS. THEY FOLLOWED ME ALL THE WAY HERE...
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
KRG...
POOOO
HUFF
HUFF
M, MISS. A, ARE YOU OKAY?
NOT ANY MORE...
I'M FINE PIERRE...

IREMY, WHAT HAPPENED?
THEY'RE COVERED IN SWEAT, TOO.
SO DAMN STUBBORN.
WHY IS THAT LADY HERE...?
THAT'S...
DID YOU MEET MS. MOLI HERE?

WINCE
HUFF.
HUFF.
HUFF.
AH!
E, ENZ?!!!
SWEAT
URG.
H. HELLO, LADY...

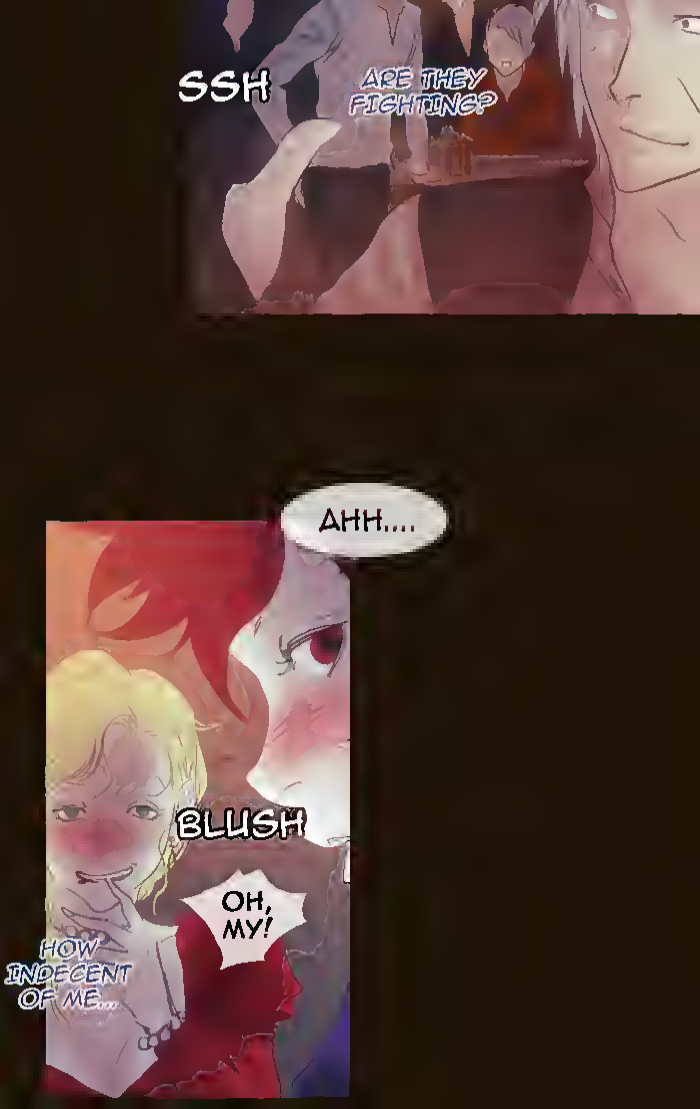
ENZ, WHAT'S GOING ON? HUH? IT'S MOLI.
AH, METHEW.
SSH
AMAZING.
WHAT IS THIS? WHY DOES SHE LOOK LIKE THAT...?
FLINCH
AH!
WH, WHAT DO YOU MEAN? I...I LOOK JUST FINE.

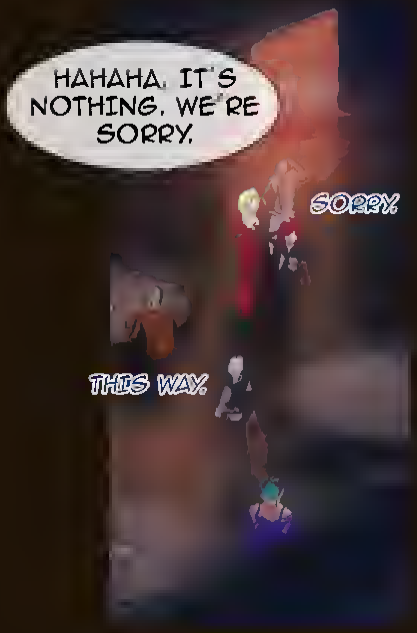
AHAHAHA.
H, HELLO. IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, METHEW.
SHAKE
SHAKE
SHAKE
AND ENZ, DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO JUST CALL ME BY MY NAME?

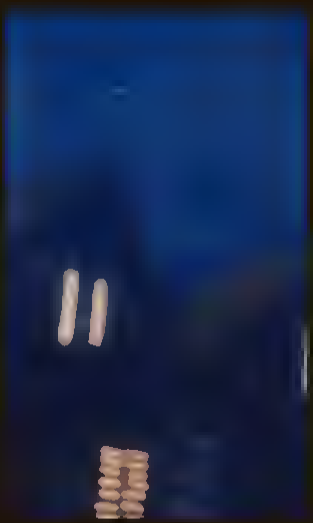
ACK!
I'M DISAPPOINTED.
AHAHAHA. THAT'S..
GLANCE
YOU CALL METHEW BY HER NAME. UNTIL WHEN ARE YOU GONNA DO THIS TO ME?
WELL. YOU LOOK LIKE AN OLD LADY. AND THAT'S WHY HE CALLS YOU LADY. IS THERE A PROBLEM?
RAGE
SHRUG
HAHAHA.

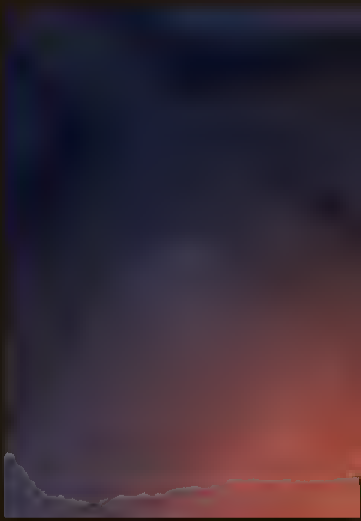
DO YOU NOT LIKE BEING CALLED LADY BECAUSE YOU REALLY ARE OLD?
IREMY, SERIOUSLY...!!!
M, MISS!!!
AH...
RUSH RUSH
HA. I MUST BE RIGHT.

WHAT? TAKE BACK WHAT YOU SAID!!!
SERIOUSLY...
DID I SAY SOMETHING WRONG?!!!
OKAY, LET'S CALM DOWN...
THERE ARE PEOPLE WATCHING, SO LET'S GO IN AND TALK
WHAT THE...?
WHAT'S GOING ON?


SSH
ARE THEY FIGHTING?
AHH....
BLUSH
OH, MY!
HOW INDECENT OF ME...


HAHAHA. IT'S NOTHING. WE'RE SORRY.
SORRY.
THIS WAY.





CLANK
ENZ?!!!
HICCUP

MM... HMM.
LET'S MAKE THIS CLEAR!!!
CALL ME BY MY NAME, NOT LADY!!!
DRIP
AHAHAHA
THOSE KIND OF WORDS ARE HURTFUL TO WOMEN!!!
AH... OKAY...
HOW CAN YOU SAY SUCH HARSH WORDS TO A WOMAN...?!!!

RIGHT, PIERRE?!
YES, YOU'RE RIGHT MISS!!!
HAHA...
SIT UP
SLAM
SHE'S COMPLETELY WASTED
AND ANOTHER THING!!!
POINT
HAHAHA, THERE'S SOMETHING MORE?

RIGHT...MM...
UMM...
RIGHT...
THUMP
ONE MORE THING!!!
WH, WHAT IS IT?
FLINCH
HICCUP
ACK!
SUDDENLY

WHAT DO MEAN, WHAT IS IT? REMEMBER THE OFFER I MADE BACK THEN?
HICCUP
METHEW, GO IN AND SLEEP.
HUH?
UNTIL WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO STAY WITH THAT

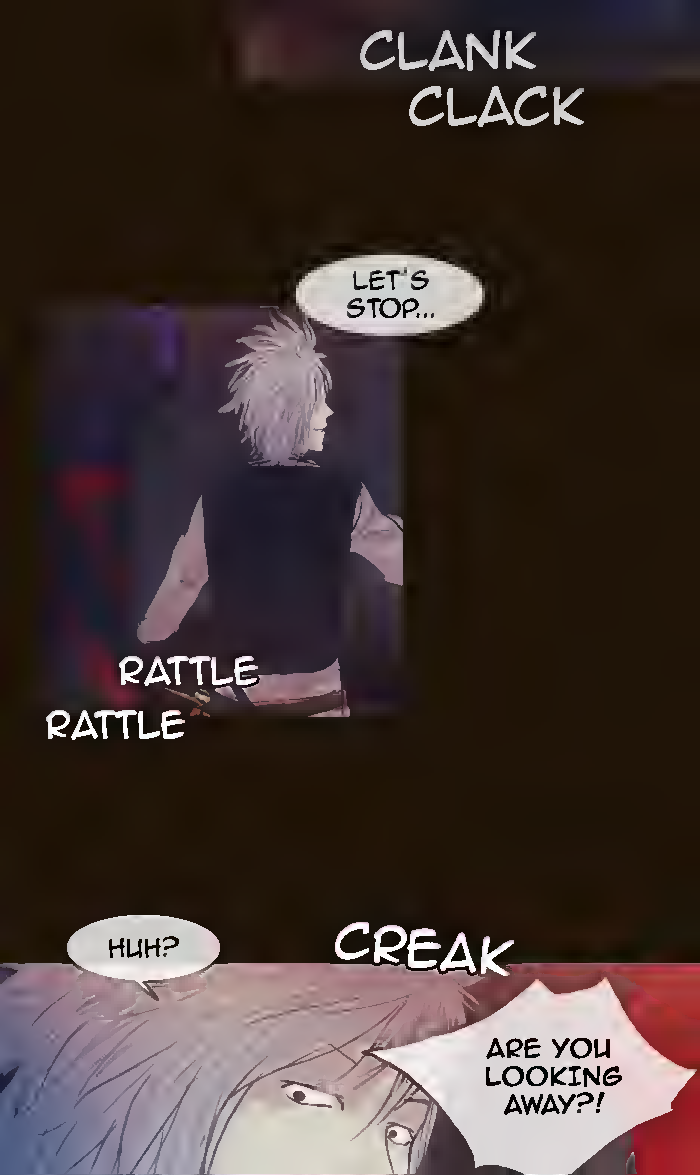
POINT
UNEDUCATED GIRL?!!!
THUMP
I'M TELLING YOU THIS GAIN! YOU AND IREMY AREN'T A GOOD MATCH!!!
GRIT
ME AGAIN?
MM...

GOT IT, ENZ?!
YOU NEED TO BE WITH ME!!!
AHAHA...
FLINCH
SLAM
HERE SHE GOES AGAIN.
THAT'S HOW YOU'LL BECOME THE BEST IN THE GAME!! RIGHT, PIERRE?!!!

YES, OF COURSE MISS!!!
YO! SLEEPING ALREADY?
AH... OKAY.
*SIT UP
HE'S BEEN RANK 1 FOR A WHILE NOW... HAHA
YOU DAMN KNIFE. YOU TRYING TO PICK A FIGHT WITH ME?!
WHAT? YOU TALKING DOWN TO ME?!

SHE IS REALLY SOMETHING.
AHAHAHA... CALM DOWN, LADY.
ENZ, LADY AGAIN?!!!
.....
HAHAHAHA...
STOP JUST LAUGHING IT OFF!!!
CREAK

GOT IT, ENZ?!
IT'S MOLI!!!
YEAH, OKAY...


CLANK
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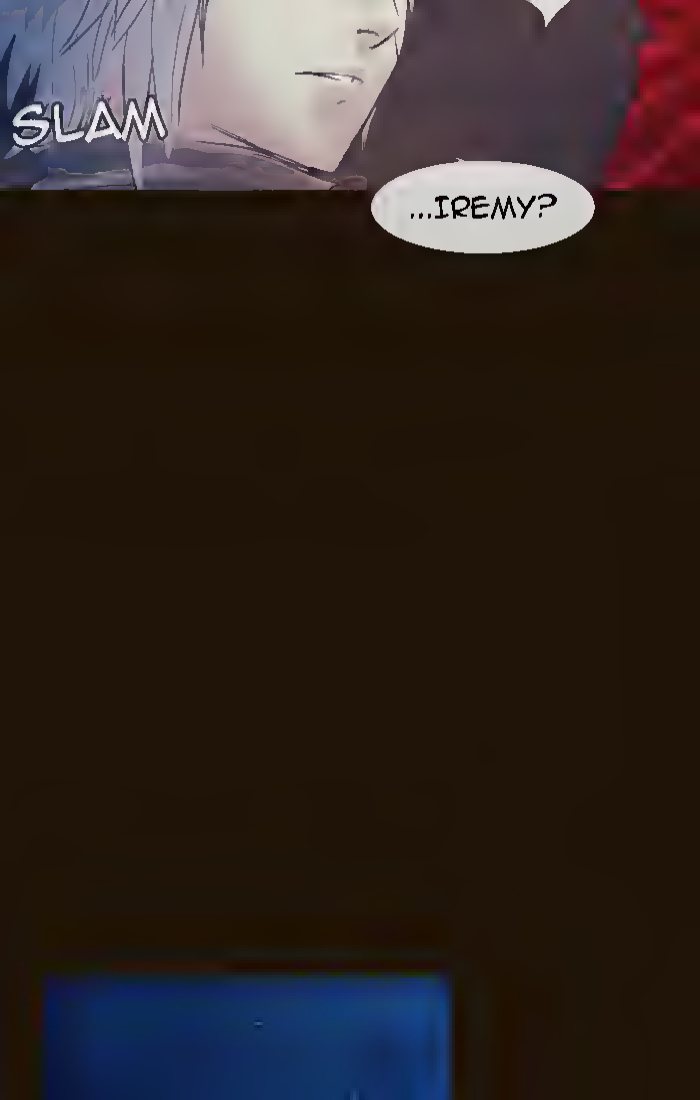
LET'S STOP...
RATTLE
RATTLE
HUH?
CREAK
ARE YOU LOOKING AWAY?!


SLAM
...IREMY?

WHOOSH

.....
SSH

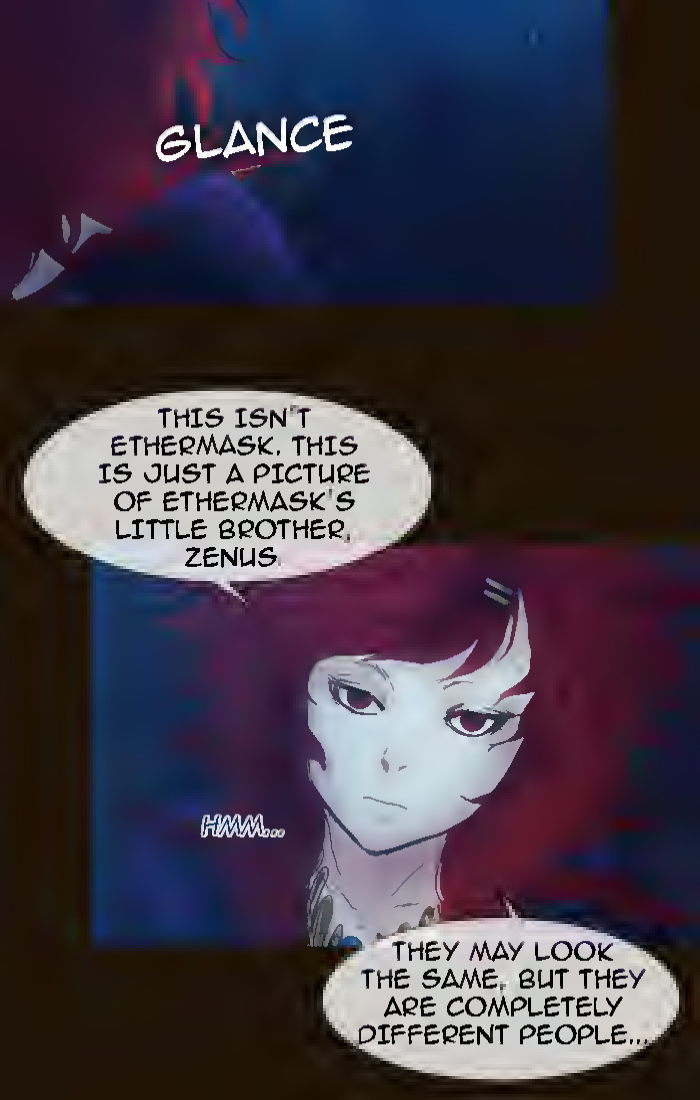
I BROUGHT IT ON ACCIDENT BECAUSE I WAS SO FLUSTERED

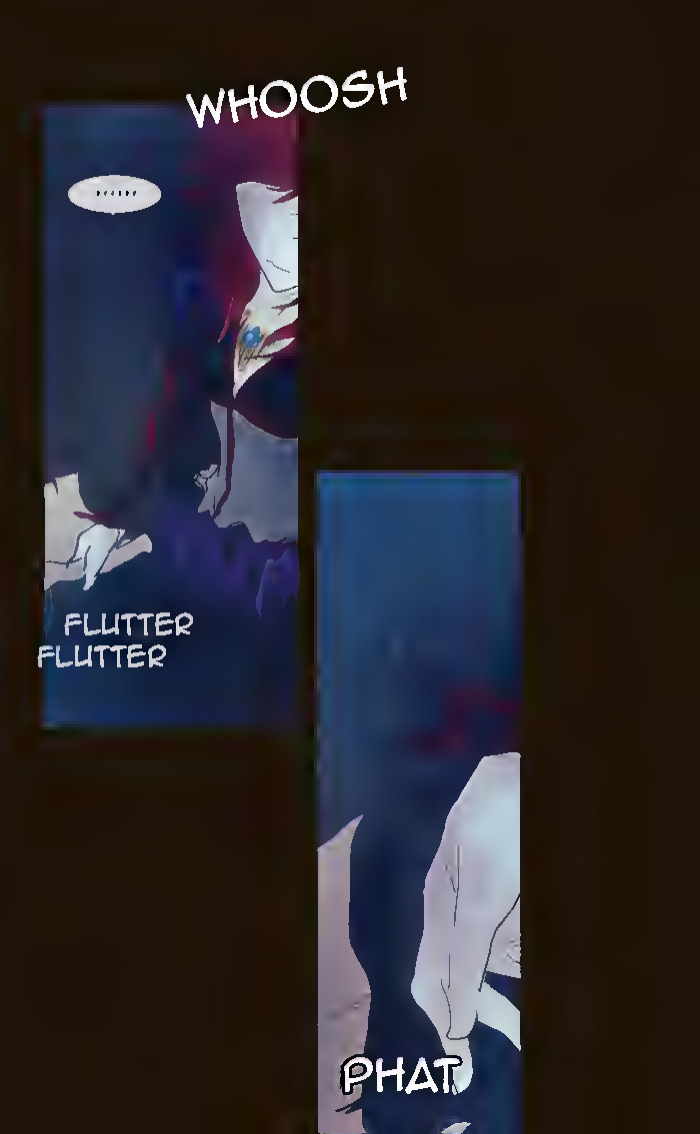
SILLY ME...
TODAY WAS SO HECTIC
SHOULD I TAKE ANOTHER LOOK ANYWAY?
ROLL

ETHERMASK...

IT LOOKS THE SAME, BUT IT ISN'T THE SAME.

GLANCE


THIS ISN'T ETHERMASK. THIS IS JUST A PICTURE OF ETHERMASK'S LITTLE BROTHER, ZENUS.
HMM...
THEY MAY LOOK THE SAME, BUT THEY ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT PEOPLE...

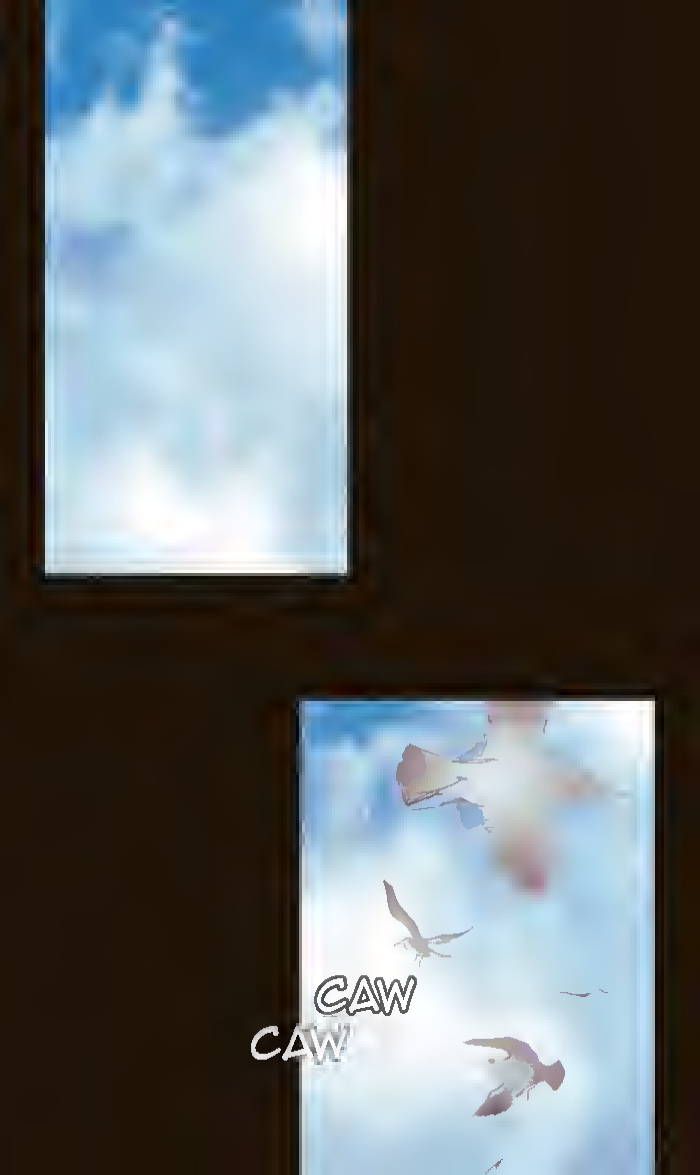

WHOOSH
FLUTTER
FLUTTER
PHAT

WHERE...
ARE YOU RIGHT NOW, ETHERMASK...?
WHOOSH

FLUTER
I MISS YOU.

TO BE CONTINUED...

LINE Webtoon


CAW
CAW

SPLASH

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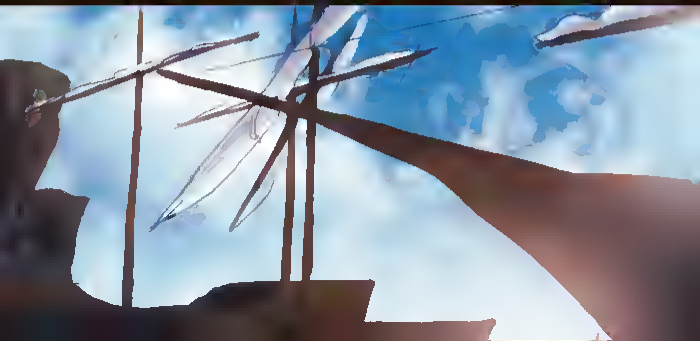


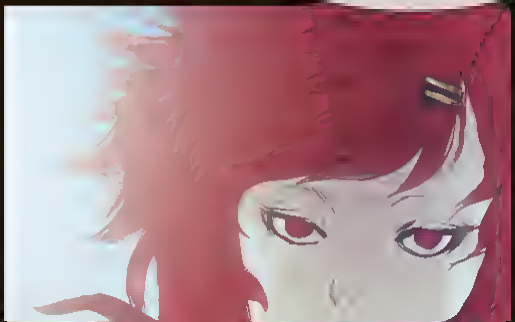
WHAT THE?
KATA KATA
IT'S HUGE!!!

WOW.
IT'S INCREDIBLY BIG.
BUSTLE BUSTLE
OHHH....
IT'S BEEN SUCH A LONG TIME SINCE A BIG BOAT LIKE THIS CAME IN.
HAS SOMEONE NOBLE COME?
I'VE SEEN IT ALL NOW IN MY LONG LIFE.
WHAT'S WITH ALL THE FUSS?
HUH?
IT'S SO BIG.
WE'VE BEEN LIVING IN SUCH A SMALL TOWN...

OH RIGHT, ENZ. DID YOU GET A BOAT FOR YOU TO TAKE BACK TO THE CONTINENT?
SSH
WELL, IF YOU HAVEN'T, I CAN TAKE YOU...

I ENDED UP BUYING A BOAT TO COME HERE.

WE HAVE ROOM, SO IF ENZ WANTS, WE CAN TAKE ALL OF YOU.

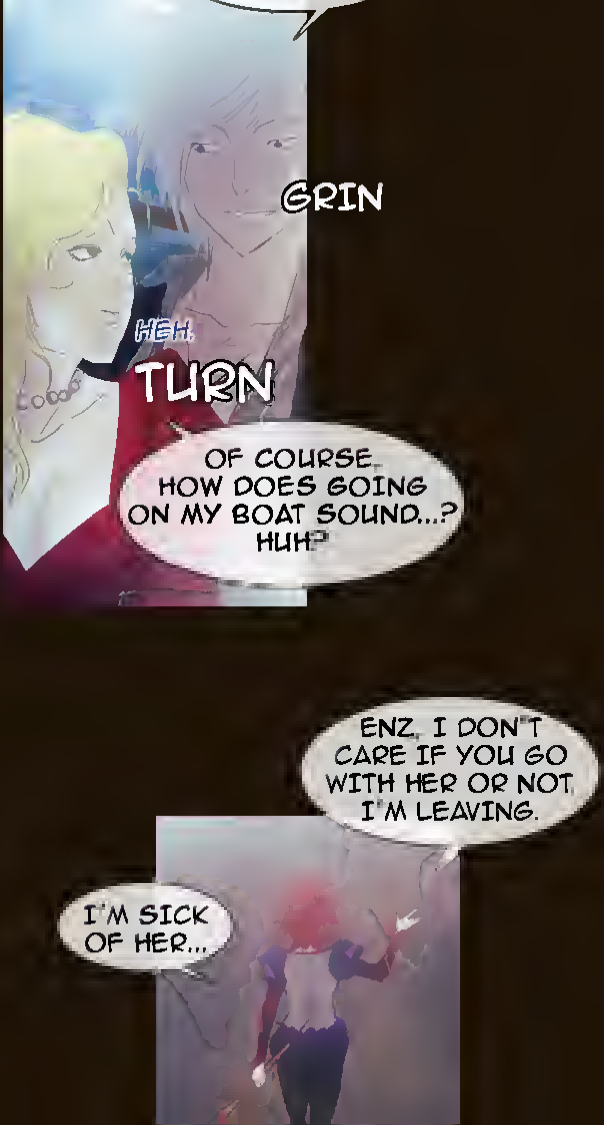


IT'S FINE.
WE HAVE A BOAT,
TOO.
WH,
WHAT?!
HELP
ME.
OOF!
STARTLE
C, COULD YOU
SAY THAT AGAIN?
N, NO WAY.

WE HAVE A BOAT, SO BUZZ OFF.

OOF!
SSH
YOU HEARD IT RIGHT THIS TIME, RIGHT?
R, REALLY? IT MUST BE A VERY SMALL BOAT, JUST LIKE YOU.
PLEASE STOP...
I ALREADY KNOW
RAGE

TH, THIS DAMN OLD HAG!!!
ENZ? A NOBLE MAN LIKE YOU, ENZ.
ACK!
GRAB
WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS OLD LADY?
YOU MUST ACT AS NOBLE AS YOU ARE.
AHAHAHA... R, REALLY?

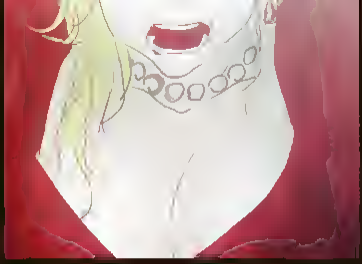

GRIN
HEH.
TURN
OF COURSE. HOW DOES GOING ON MY BOAT SOUND...? HUH?
ENZ, I DON'T CARE IF YOU GO WITH HER OR NOT. I'M LEAVING.
I'M SICK OF HER...

ENZ, HOW ABOUT IT?
I, IREMY...
ARE YOU MAD, IREMY?
THANK YOU, BUT I'LL HAVE TO PASS.
AHH...

GRUMBLE
GRUMBLE
NOT AT ALL.
I JUST FIND THIS
ALL SO ABSURD
WAIT FOR ME,
IREMY!!!
TURN

AH... ENZ...
YOU SEEM TO LIKE IT A LOT GOOD FOR YOU
N, NOT AT ALL. YOU GONNA LEAVE WITHOUT EVEN HELPING ME?
HAHAHA.
TREMBLE
ERRR...

IREMY!!!
HUH?
HALT
WHY DO YOU KEEP GETTING IN THE WAY?



CLACK
CLACK

UNTIL WHEN ARE YOU GONNA ORDER ENZ AROUND?
LEAN
WHAT?
DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE HIS DECISIONS?

WHAT THE HELL?
NO ONE CARES ABOUT MY OWN THOUGHTS...
BUT, IT'S SO FUN...
HAHA.
THAT WOMAN IS REALLY SOMETHING.
I CAN'T LET THIS ONE SLIDE, IREMY.

GRIT!
I WON'T LET YOU TAKE NOBLE ENZ ON A SUCH BOAT.
ENZ NEEDS TO RIDE ON A BOAT OF HIS STATUS.
UGH, SHE JUST DOESN'T GET IT...
BABBLE BABBLE
I NEED TO MAKE SURE HE'S RIDING ON A NICE BOAT.
IF I DON'T SEE IT FIT, I'M GONNA MAKE HIM GO ON MINE.

I WON'T STEP DOWN THIS TIME
I SHOULDN'T WASTE ANY MORE TIME
HMPH!
POINT
WHERE IS THE BOAT?
YOU SEE THAT OVER THERE?
IT'S THAT ONE.

POINT
WHERE... THAT ONE?

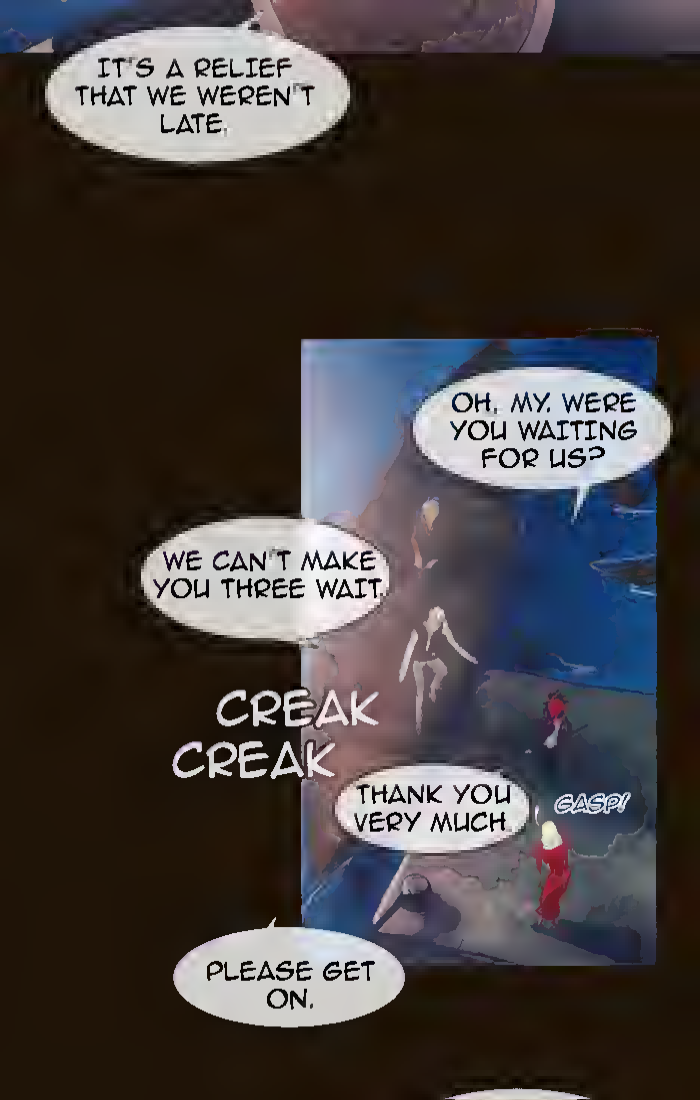
AHAHAHA.
INDEED. WHAT A BOAT THAT SUITS COMMONERS. THEN IT'S SET?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

SIGH...
NOT THAT ONE.
THE BIG ONE.
STARTLE
WH, WHAT?
TH, TH... THAT...

THAT ONE?!!!
POINT
JUST LIKE I SAID
I DON'T REALLY CARE IF YOU TAKE ENZ OR NOT, BUT IT'S FINE NOW, RIGHT?
N, NO WAY....

SHRUG
HAHA
TAP
IREMY..
WE CAN'T LET HER TAKE AWAY OUR PORTER AND MONEY-MAKER.
EH HEH HEH... I, IREMY?
GLANCE
YOUR JOKES SEEM TO HAVE GOTTEN BETTER. DID YOU SAY... THAT IS YOUR BOAT?

IS THIS OLD HAG STUPID OR WHAT?
AH, YOU'RE HERE!
MM.
WELL. IT'S NOT MINE, THOUGH...
GRIN


IT'S A RELIEF THAT WE WEREN'T LATE.
OH, MY. WERE YOU WAITING FOR US?
WE CAN'T MAKE YOU THREE WAIT.
CREAK CREAK
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
GASP!
PLEASE GET ON.

BE CAREFUL. GRAB MY HAND
CREAK CREAK
THANK YOU.
LET'S GO, METHEW. HURRY UP, ENZ.
COMING.

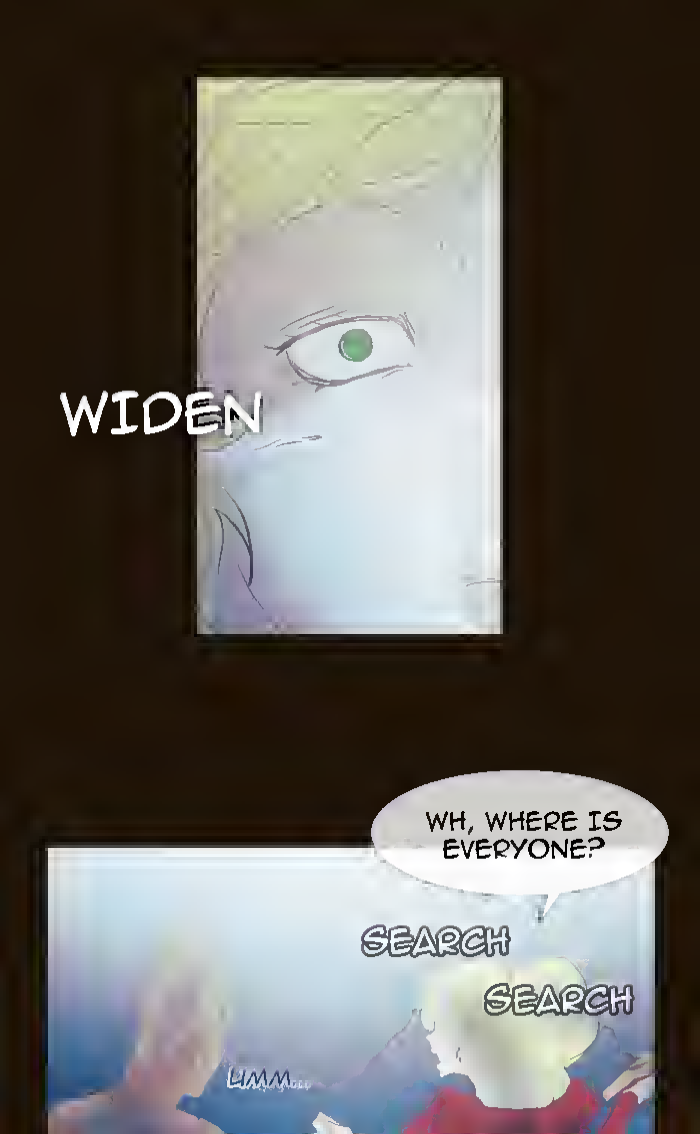
OKAY.
LADY MOLI, PIERRE WE'LL BE LEAVING NOW.
.....
CREAK
CREAK

SEE YOU NEXT TIME.

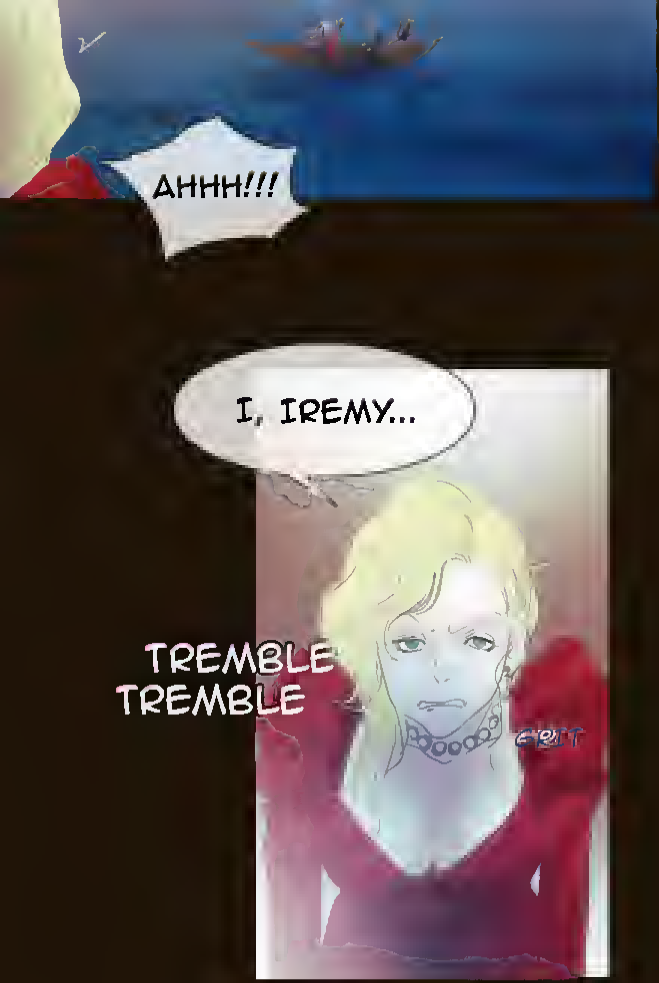
SAFE TRAVELS.

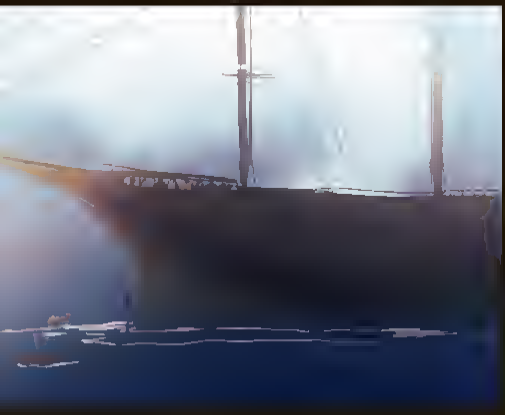
SEE YOU NEXT TIME, PIERRE. TAKE CARE OF THE LADY.

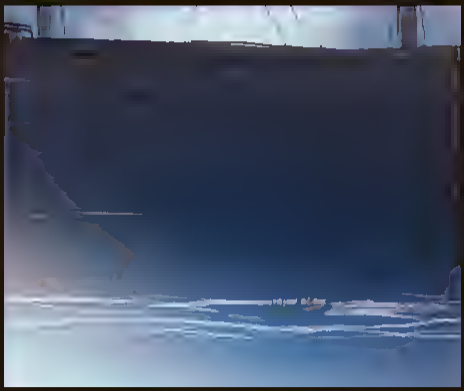
BLEH~
AHH...
.....
UM, MISS?
GLANCE


WIDEN
WH, WHERE IS EVERYONE?
SEARCH
SEARCH
LMM...

HUH?
HUH?
IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THEM, THEY ALREADY...
POINT
WHAT?
BYE, LADY!!!
HAHAHAHA.


AHHH!!!
I, IREMY...
TREMBLE
TREMBLE



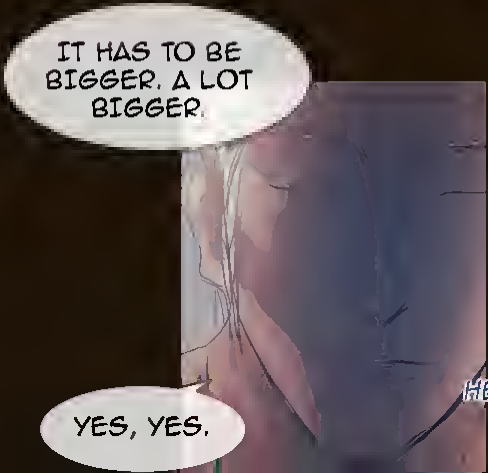


ERRRR.... THIS CAN'T BE...
AHAHA.
TREMBLE TREMBLE
CALM DOWN, MISS.
I'VE NEVER BEEN SO HUMILIATED IN MY LIFE.
PIERRE!!!

TURN
YES, MA'AM!!!

SELL THIS BOAT WHEN WE GET TO THE CONTINENT.

THEN BUY A BIGGER AND FLASHIER BOAT THAN IREMY'S.
STUMP
STUMP
YES, MA'AM.


IT HAS TO BE BIGGER. A LOT BIGGER.
YES, YES.
HEH.

IT HAS TO BE FLASHIER, GOT IT?
AND I'M NOT IN A GOOD MOOD. LET'S GO.
HAHAHA.
STUMP
STUMP
I'LL GET EVERYTHING READY RIGHT AWAY, MISS.

SPLASH
SPLASH

SPLASH

SPLASHHH

AHAHAHAHA
HAHAHAHAHA!!!
DID YOU SEE
HER FACE? THAT
BLANK FACE

HAHAHAHA.
GIGGLE.
AH, I FEEL MUCH BETTER NOW.
SHE LOOKED REALLY OUT OF IT.
AH, THAT WAS FUN.

THAT ANNOYING LADY HAD IT COMING. I FEEL SO MUCH BETTER AFTER THAT.
YOU HAVE FEELINGS, TOO?
IT'S A FIGURE OF SPEECH.
IREMY. INDEED, WHAT A BOAT THAT SUITS COMMONERS.
IT FITS YOUR STATUS.
AHAHAHA.
POINT
HAHA.
AH, SO FUNNY.
THAT'S JUST LIKE HER.

ENZ, YOU NEED TO CUT OFF THE PEOPLE THAT AREN'T OF YOUR STATUS.
WHISTLE~
COME TRAVEL WITH ME
AHAHAHAHAHA, THIS FEELS SO GREAT!!!
ROLL ROLL
AHAHAHA

IREMY, YOU MUST HAVE HAD A LOT BUILT UP.

YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN FOR SURE. I WAS DAMN ANNOYED.

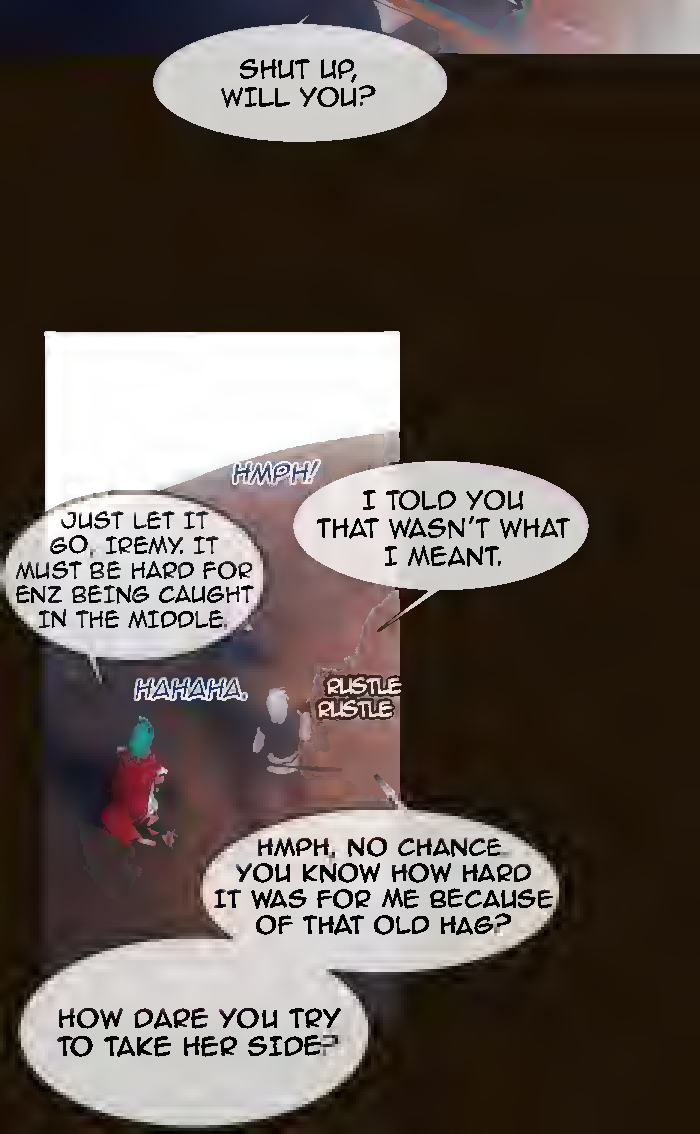
UGH. THE TALK ABOUT NOBILITY...

BECAUSE OF THE MERCHANT, I GOT TO PUT THAT LADY IN HER PLACE
HEH HEH.
GRIN
I'M ALSO GONNA TELL THE MERCHANT ABOUT ALL THIS. HE'S GONNA THROW A FIT.
BUT, SHE ISN'T EVEN HERE ANY MORE...
AHAHAHA....

LET'S STOP TALKING BEHIND HER BACK...
WHAT THE HELL IS YOUR PROBLEM?
WHY ARE YOU ACTING ALL NICE OUT OF NOWHERE?
LEAN
THAT ISN'T VERY PLEASING.
ACK.

OH, YOU WERE TREATED ALL GREAT.
GLARE
SO YOU DON'T LIKE US TALKING BEHIND HER BACK?
AH, IS THAT IT?
YEAH, YEAH.
THEN WHY ARE YOU HERE?

AH, THAT ISN'T WHAT I MEANT...
UGH. I SHOULD HAVE JUST GIVEN YOU TO THAT OLD LADY.
SHAKE SHAKE
AH. THAT'S NOT IT. WHY ARE YOU BEING LIKE THIS?
AH. WE HAVE A TRAITOR IN OUR MIDST.
IF NOT, SAY SOMETHING BAD ABOUT HER.


SHUT UP, WILL YOU?
HMPH!
I TOLD YOU THAT WASN'T WHAT I MEANT.
JUST LET IT GO, IREMY. IT MUST BE HARD FOR ENZ BEING CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE.
HAHAHA.
RUSTLE RUSTLE
HMPH, NO CHANCE. YOU KNOW HOW HARD IT WAS FOR ME BECAUSE OF THAT OLD HAG?
HOW DARE YOU TRY TO TAKE HER SIDE?

HAHAHAHA.
I'M SORRY. DON'T BE MAD.
I GOT ON HER BAD SIDE.
HAHAHA.
MY GOODNESS.
WHY DID YOU TRY TO GET ON MY NERVES FROM THE FIRST PLACE?

YOU LITTLE!
FINE, FINE.
YOU'D BETTER NOT TRY ANYTHING LIKE THAT AGAIN
THAT'S THAT,
WHEW
I THINK IT'S ALREADY A HABIT.
IF YOU KEEP ASKING FOR FORGIVENESS, IT'S GONNA BECOME A HABIT.
YOU CAN NEVER FIX THAT. HAHA.

THINGS HAVE BEEN GOING WELL ON OUR SIDE AFTER WE MET THE MERCHANT.
SSH
WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL.
YEAH... THINGS HAVE BEEN GOING WELL FOR US.
YOU'RE TALKING AN AWFUL LOT.
GRIN
IS IT BECAUSE I GOT IN TROUBLE?

HAHA,
IT'S FUN.
ETHERMASK,
TOO...

I FEEL LIKE WE WILL MEET ETHERMASK VERY SOON

IREMY...
.....

HEH.
GLANCE
AWWWWW.
I FEEL STIFF.
SINCE WE'RE BORED
WANNA PLAY A GAME?

OOF.
A GAME?
SOUNDS GOOD
FLICKS TO THE LOSER'S FOREHEAD?
YEAH? OKAY. WHAT KIND OF GAME?
I'M REALLY GONNA HIT YOU. SO BE READY.
HAHAHAHA.
ENZ, YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN.
H, HANG ON... IT'S GONNA BE LIKE THIS BEFORE

WE EVEN START?

I'M NOT GONNA REPEAT MYSELF.

HAHA, YOU'RE SCREWED.

WHINE.

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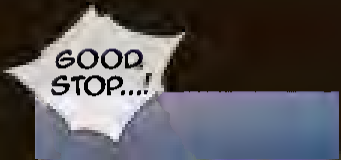
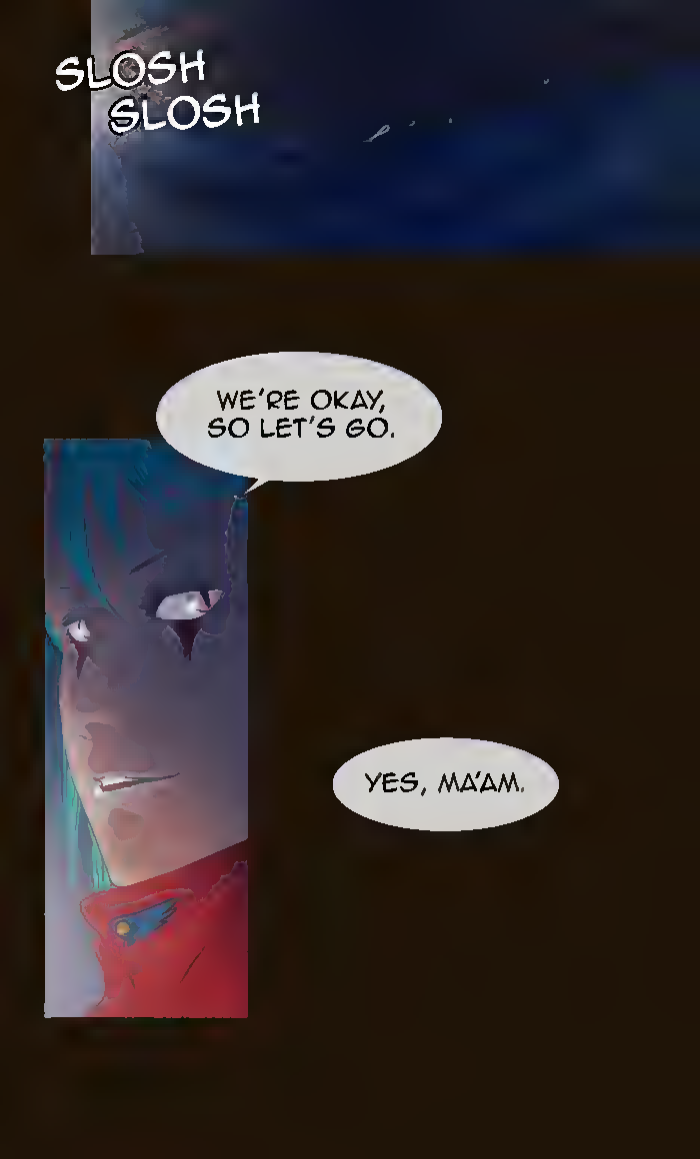
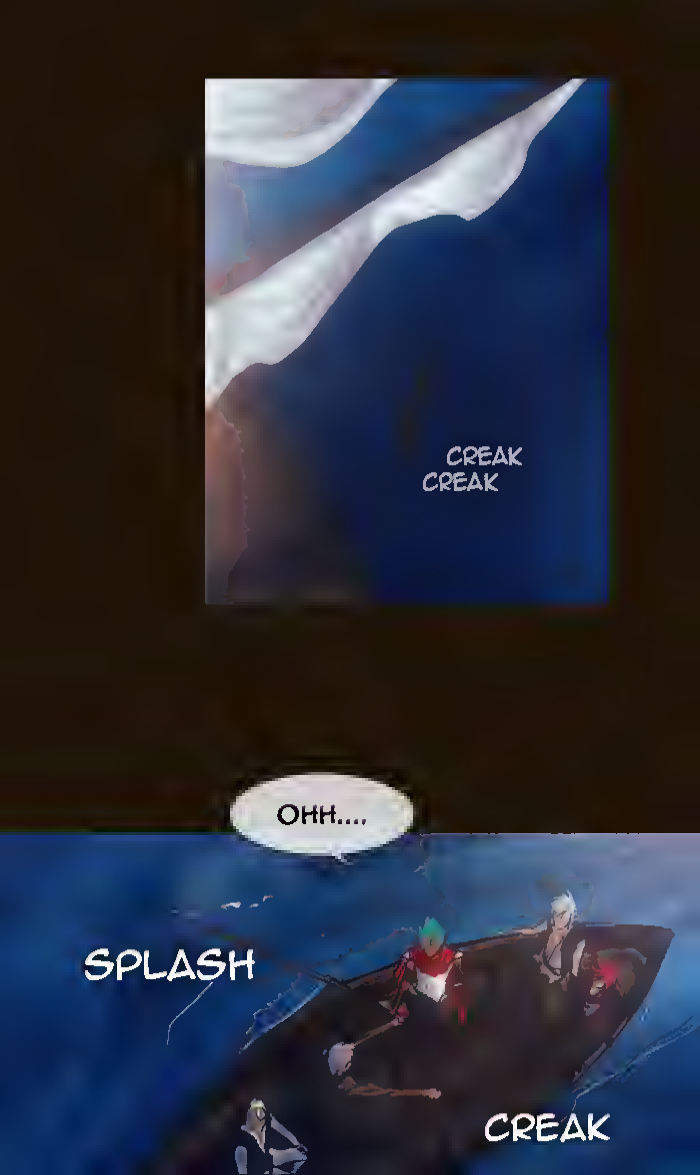
SLOSH
SLOSH

PUT HER DOWN SLOWLY. MORE, A LITTLE BIT MORE...!!!
CREAK
CREAK


GOOD STOP...!

OOF!
SPLASH
KYAK!!
ARE YOU OKAY?
AH, WE'RE FINE.
WHEW.

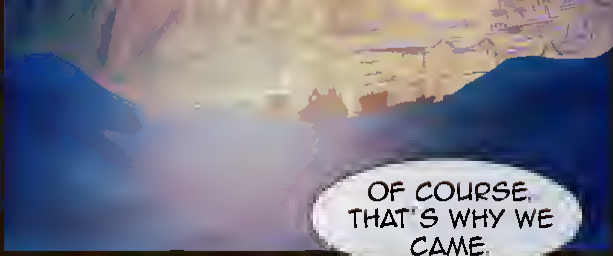

SLOSH
SLOSH
WE'RE OKAY, SO LET'S GO.
YES, MA'AM.


CREAK
CREAK
OHH....
SPLASH
CREAK

CREAK

THIS PLACE LOOKS A LOT BETTER THAN WHAT I'VE HEARD
RIGHT. THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME HERE, HUH?
WELL, THIS IS ALSO A PLACE WE'VE AVOIDED BECAUSE OF IREMY.

.....
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME TOO, AND THIS PLACE IS GREAT!
RIGHT?
YEAH, WE'RE BACK HERE.
IREMY, ARE YOU OKAY NOW?


OF COURSE.
THAT'S WHY WE
CAME.

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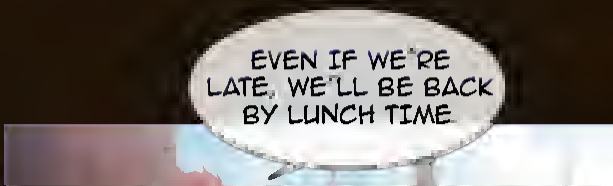
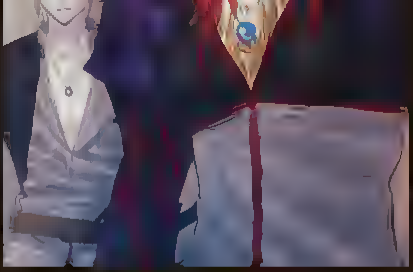


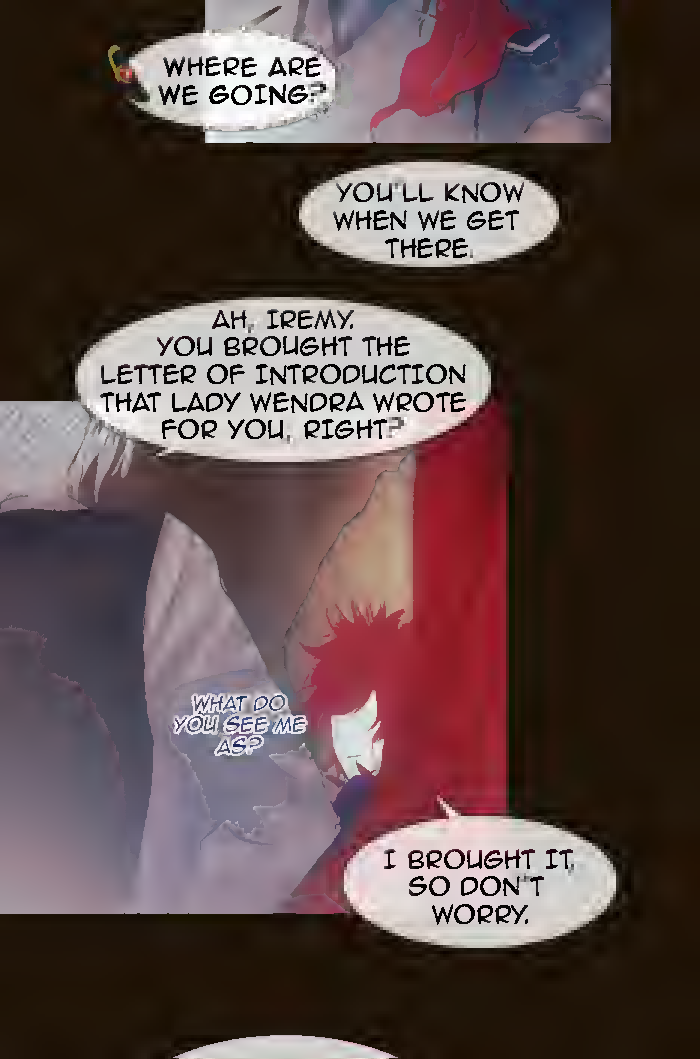
WE SHALL BE WAITING. PLEASE TAKE YOUR TIME
SLOSH SLOSH
THANK YOU VERY MUCH
THEN, LET'S GET MOVING.
OKAY.
ARE WE GOING STRAIGHT TO THE LIBRARY?

YEAH. STRAIGHT TO THE LIBRARY...
AHH...
WAIT...
GLANCE



LET'S JUST STOP BY ONE PLACE REALLY QUICKLY.
WHERE?
HUH?
AH, IS IT...?

YEAH.
THE PLACE WHERE WE STARTED OUR JOURNEY...
WELL... WE'RE GOING A LITTLE AROUND BUT IT WON'T TAKE MUCH TIME
WE CAN LOOK AROUND ON THE WAY.
OKAY, LET'S GO.


WHERE ARE WE GOING?
YOU'LL KNOW WHEN WE GET THERE.
AH, IREMY. YOU BROUGHT THE LETTER OF INTRODUCTION THAT LADY WENDRA WROTE FOR YOU, RIGHT?
WHAT DO YOU SEE ME AS?
I BROUGHT IT, SO DON'T WORRY.

MAKE SURE YOU DON'T LOSE IT. IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT.
YOU THINK I'M LIKE YOU? DON'T WORRY.
STUMP
STUMP
THERE YOU GO AGAIN.
HE'S THE ONE WHO STARTED IT.

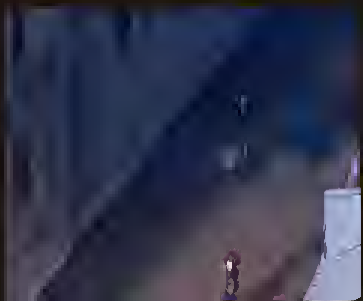
OKAY, OKAY. IT WAS MY FAULT.

HAHA.

I DON'T KNOW THIS PLACE, SO YOU TWO LEAD THE WAY.

I'LL EXPLAIN THINGS TO YOU ON THE WAY.

THANKS. I'M EXCITED.



AH, THERE.

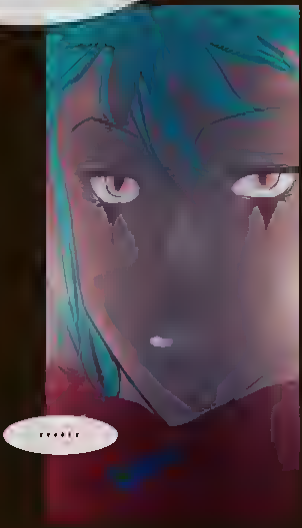
WE ALMOST DIED WHILE GOING UP TO THE TOP
WOW, SO HIGH
IT WAS HARD BUT THE VIEW FROM UP THERE WAS AMAZING

LET'S TAKE A DIFFERENT ROAD ON OUR WAY DOWN.
SOUNDS GOOD
LET'S DO THAT.

HALT

IT'S HERE.

THIS IS WHERE IT ALL STARTED.

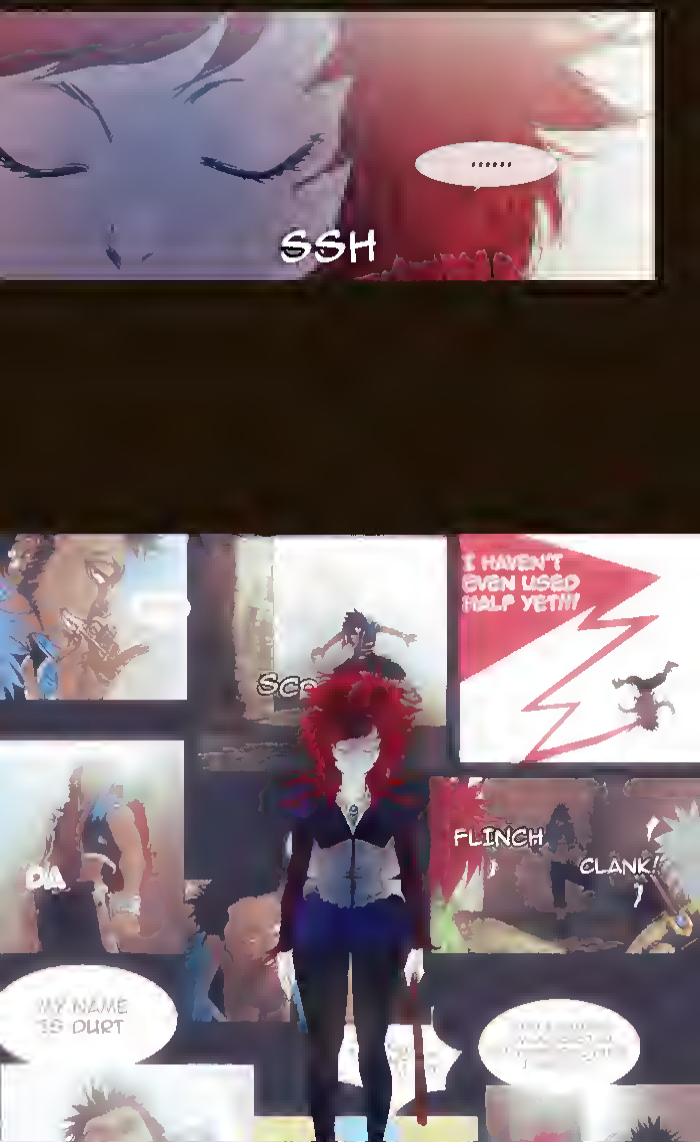


WE MET EVERYONE HERE, AND STARTED OUR JOURNEY...
IT WAS VERY COINCIDENTAL AND TRIFLING, RIGHT?
WHO COULD HAVE KNOWN THAT WE WOULD SHARE JOYS AND SORROWS ON THIS LONG JOURNEY TOGETHER?

YEAH... SUCH COINCIDENTAL ENCOUNTERS WITH A PEDDLER AND A PICKPOCKETER...
HAHA
WE HAD NO IDEA WE WOULD BE SO BONDED TOGETHER BACK THEN

IT'S NOT ALL LOUD LIKE BEFORE BECAUSE IT'S EARLY MORNING, BUT...
IT'S GREAT TO FEEL THIS ATMOSPHERE WITH SUCH CALMNESS
AH, COME TO THINK OF IT, WE MET YOU HERE, TOO, METHEW
OH, YEAH?

YOU WERE SEALED AWAY, BUT YOU WERE WITH US WHEN WE MET THEM.
PHT. I'M BEING LEFT OUT AGAIN.
YEAH. I'M JUST A STRANGER. A STRANGER.
WHY ARE YOU BEING ALL MAD AGAIN?
HAHA.
BECAUSE YOU GUYS ARE REMINISCING WITHOUT ME.
TRUTHFULLY, I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
HMPH!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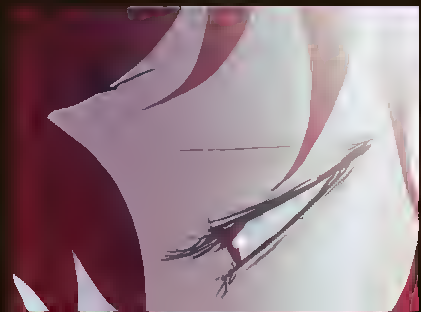
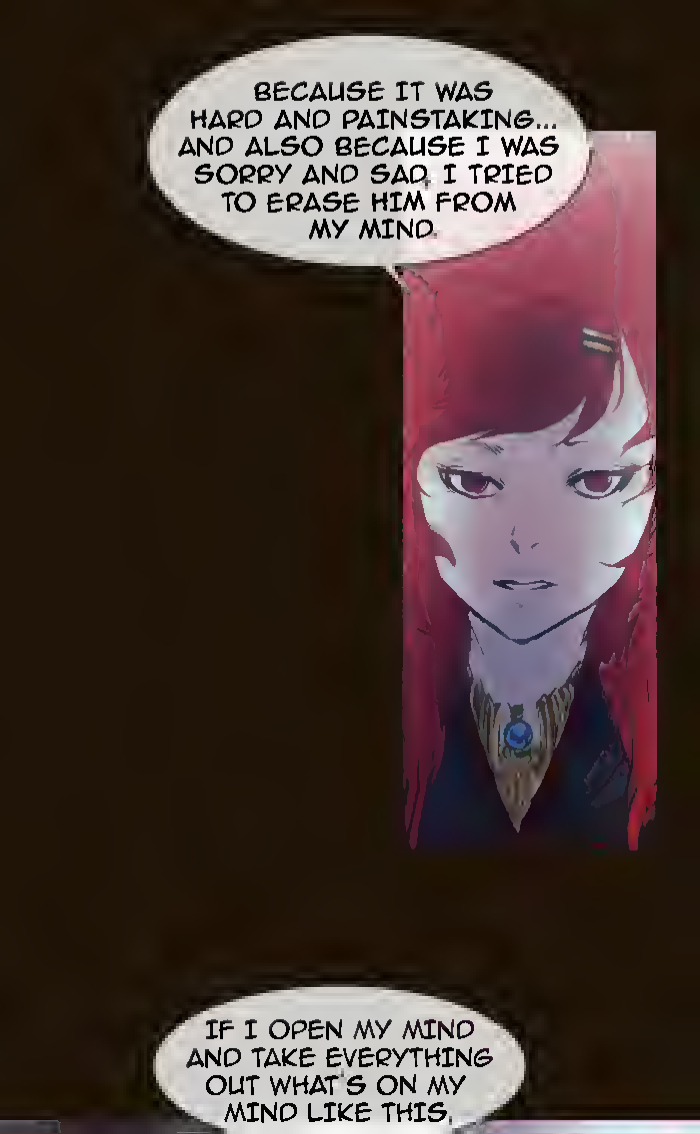
SSH
I HAVEN'T EVEN USED HALF YET!!!
FLINCH
CLANK!
MY NAME IS DURT

HEH HEH HEH

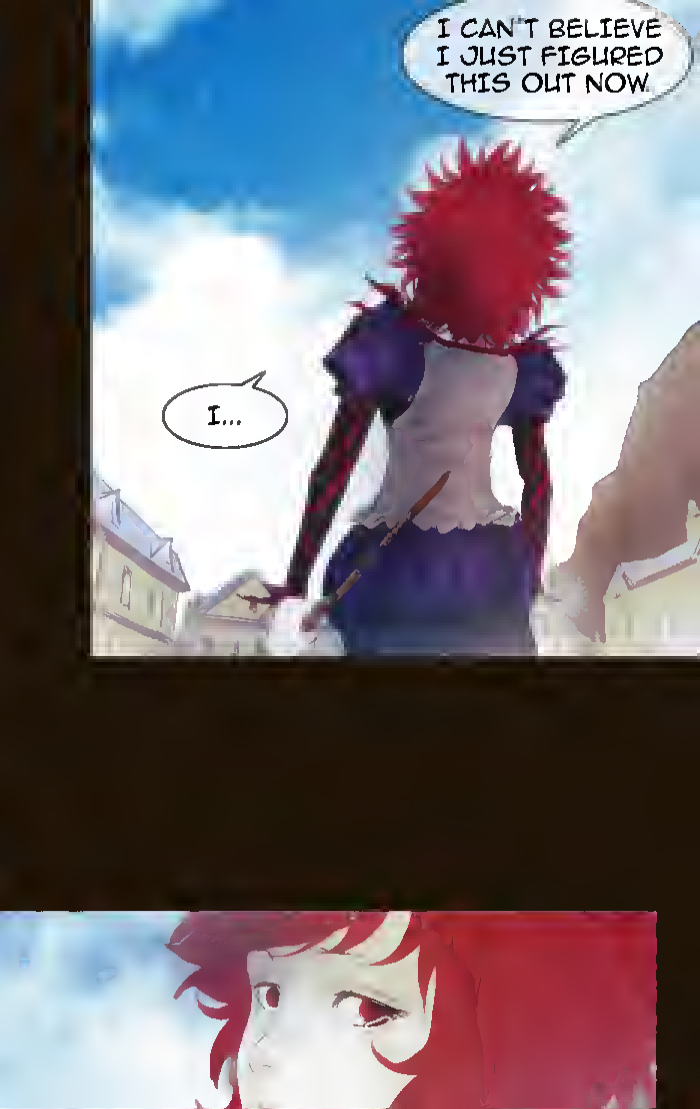


SSH
I DID SOMETHING REALLY BAD TO DURT.


BECAUSE IT WAS HARD AND PAINSTAKING... AND ALSO BECAUSE I WAS SORRY AND SAD, I TRIED TO ERASE HIM FROM MY MIND.
IF I OPEN MY MIND AND TAKE EVERYTHING OUT WHAT'S ON MY MIND LIKE THIS,

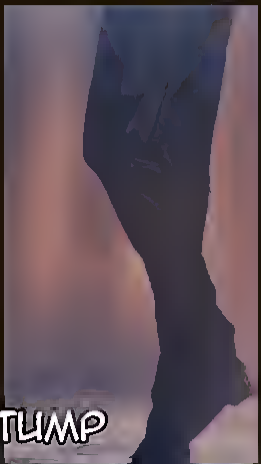
WE HAD SO MANY GOOD AND HAPPY MEMORIES...
.....
I TRIED TO FORGET EVERYTHING... AND LIVE WITHOUT REMEMBERING DURT
.....
TALKING WITH THE MERCHANT ABOUT OUR PAST SHOWING ALL OUR FEELINGS...
I FEEL SORRY AND REGRETFUL FOR ALL THE DAYS I FORGOT ABOUT HIM. IT WAS REALLY WRONG OF ME. AND I SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT.
.....

I SHOULDN'T HAVE... FORGOTTEN.
IF I LOOK UP TO THE SKY AND CLOSE MY EYES,
I CAN PICTURE THE HAPPY MEMORIES WE HAD TOGETHER.


I CAN'T BELIEVE I JUST FIGURED THIS OUT NOW.
I...

SSH
I'M SUCH AN IDIOT, HUH?
IREMY...
.....
REALLY...

GRIN


STUMP

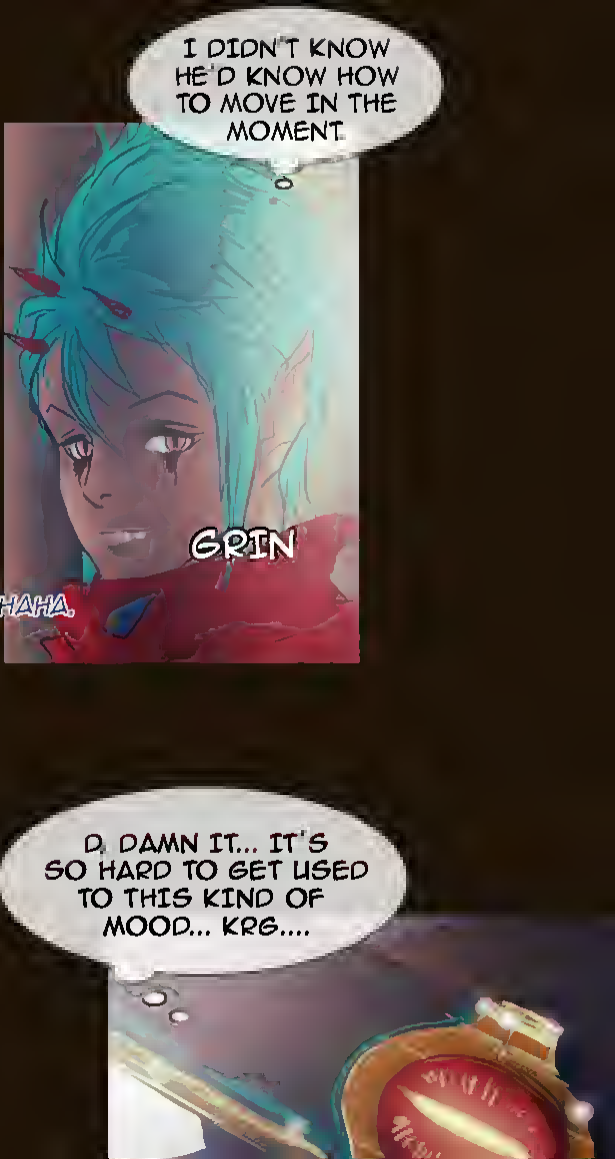
STUMP
SSH

FLINCH
YEAH, YOU'RE AN IDIOT.
HUG
A REAL IDIOT

WE WERE WAITING FOR YOU TO SAY THAT FOR A LONG TIME. WE DIDN'T WANT TO FORCE YOU TO SAY IT.
WE WAITED FOR YOU TO FEEL IT AND SHOW US
WE DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING TO YOU BECAUSE WE DIDN'T WANT YOU TO HAVE HAVE ANY FEELINGS OF REGRET LEFT

BUT, YOU MADE US WAIT FOR TOO LONG WE WANTED TO SEE DURT AGAIN SO BAD

SSH
I'M REALLY SORRY...
OH, MY? ENZ ISN'T SO BAD AFTER ALL.
OH...
THIS IS A NEW SIDE OF HIM.


I DIDN'T KNOW HE'D KNOW HOW TO MOVE IN THE MOMENT
GRIN
HAHA.
D, DAMN IT... IT'S SO HARD TO GET USED TO THIS KIND OF MOOD... KRG....

UGH, I'M SO EMBARRASSED. WHAT IS METHEW DOING? SHE SHOULD BE STEPPING IN ABOUT NOW.

AH... SO FRUSTRATING.

MM...

STUMP
STUMP
IREMY?
SHALL WE STAY HERE A BIT LONGER?

TURN
I WAS THINKING THE SAME THING.
YOU WEREN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO MISSED THIS PLACE.
GRIN
HAHA.
WE NEED THIS KIND OF STUFF EVERY NOW AND THEN.

THEN, GET SOME REST. I'M GONNA TAKE A WALK.
HEH HEH.
OKAY, I'LL JUST GET SOME REST HERE THEN.
LET'S GO SIT OVER THERE, METHEW.
WHEW, I FEEL RELIEVED.

WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN ALL OF A SUDDEN?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN? YOU GUYS GAVE ME THE GOOSEBUMPS. YOU KNOW HOW HARD IT WAS TO SINK IN?
WH...WHAT? WHEN DID WE DO THAT?
OH, MY. ACTING LIKE YOU DIDN'T DO ANYTHING AGAIN. UGH, IT WAS REALLY AWKWARD.
HAHAHAHA. YES, IT WAS A BIT AWKWARD.
Y, YOU TOO, METHEW?!

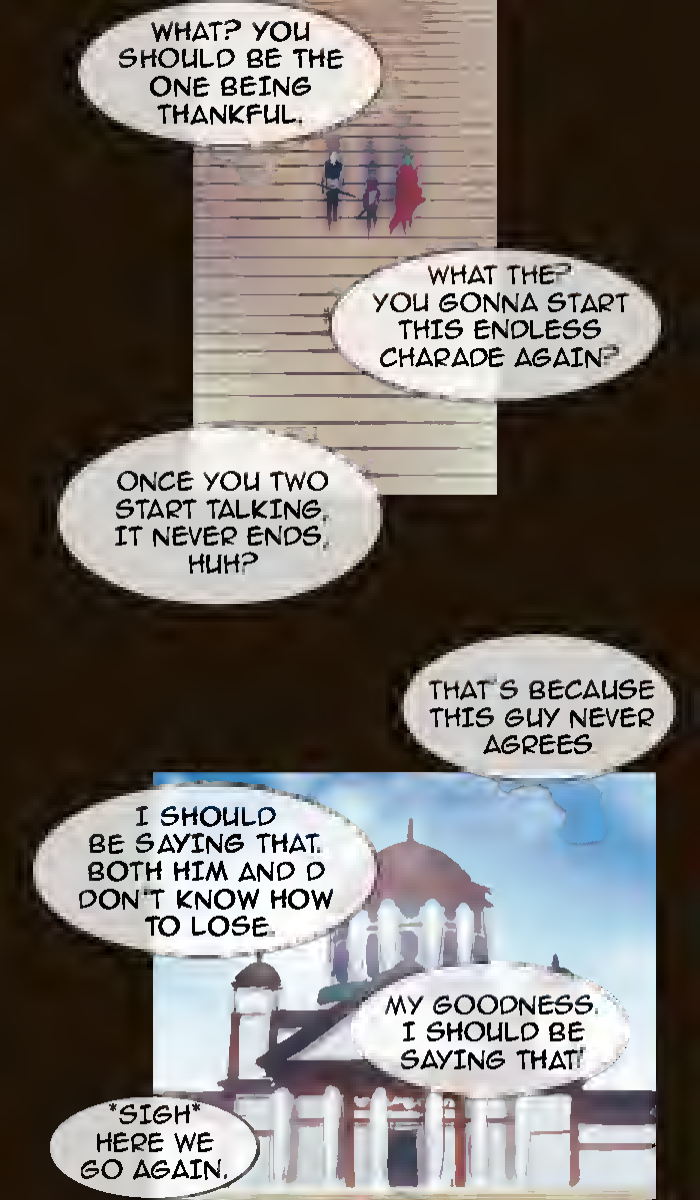
WHEW~.

SO, THIS IS...

GLANCE
THE TICY LIBRARY?
IT LOOKS MORE GRAND AND BIGGER UP CLOSE.

NO WONDER WHY IT'S CALLED THE WORLD'S GATE
STOP BEING SO SURPRISED AND LET'S GO UP
SSH
AH... OKAY, METHEW
OH...

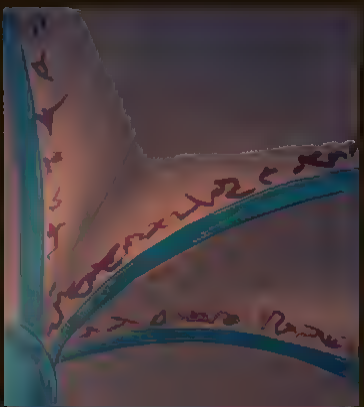
LET'S GO.
IT'S REALLY HIGH UP. IT'S GONNA TAKE A WHILE JUST GOING UP.
OH, MY...
STUMP STUMP
HAHA, THIS WHEN I FEEL MOST COMFORTABLE
STUMP STUMP
BE THANKFUL YOU GET TO TRAVEL THE WORLD BECAUSE OF ME.


WHAT? YOU SHOULD BE THE ONE BEING THANKFUL.
WHAT THE? YOU GONNA START THIS ENDLESS CHARADE AGAIN?
ONCE YOU TWO START TALKING, IT NEVER ENDS, HUH?
THAT'S BECAUSE THIS GUY NEVER AGREES
I SHOULD BE SAYING THAT. BOTH HIM AND D DON'T KNOW HOW TO LOSE.
MY GOODNESS. I SHOULD BE SAYING THAT!
SIGH HERE WE GO AGAIN.

HAHA, THIS IS SO INTERESTING. I DON'T KNOW WHY.

METHEW... YOU AREN'T FROM THIS WORLD

OH, MY, LOOK AT YOU!



HI, WE BROUGHT A LETTER OF INTRODUCTION.
WHO ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?
WE'RE LOOKING FOR THE DIRECTOR.

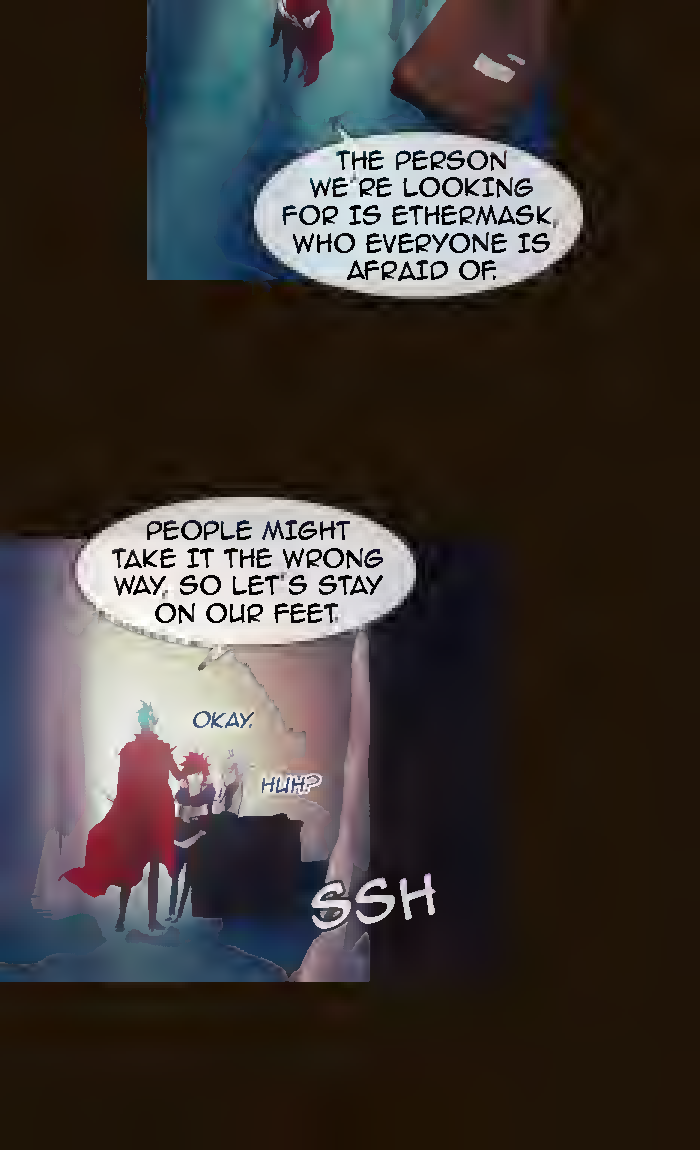
SSH
AH, HANG ON FOR JUST A SEC.
SMILE
I WILL GIVE THIS TO THE DIRECTOR RIGHT NOW.

THANK YOU
NOD

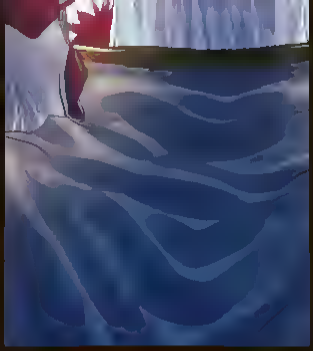
.....

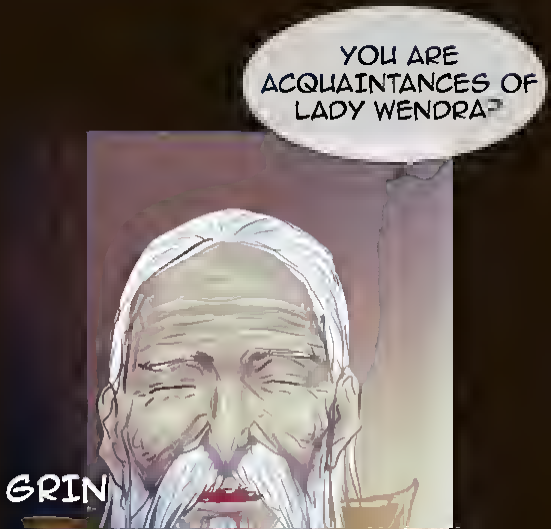
CREAK
INSIDE IS HUGE, TOO. HOW HIGH IS IT?
WHOA.
IF IT'S SOMEONE RUNNING THIS LIBRARY, HE MUST BE AMAZING.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF PERSON IT IS, BUT IT WOULD BE GREAT IF THEY UNDERSTOOD US.
LADY WENDRA ISN'T SOMEONE TO JUST SPIT OUT ANYTHING, SO WE CAN EXPECT A GOOD OUTCOME.
BUT, IT'S STILL MAKING ME NERVOUS. THIS ISN'T A SIMPLE TASK.
THAT IS TRUE.


THE PERSON WE'RE LOOKING FOR IS ETHERMASK, WHO EVERYONE IS AFRAID OF.
PEOPLE MIGHT TAKE IT THE WRONG WAY, SO LET'S STAY ON OUR FEET.
OKAY.
HUH?
SSH

AH... AH?
DRIP
D, DID.. HE COME IN PERSON?
YOU ARE VERY IMPORTANT GUESTS, BUT I HAVE KEPT YOU WAITING.




YOU ARE ACQUAINTANCES OF LADY WENDRA?
GRIN

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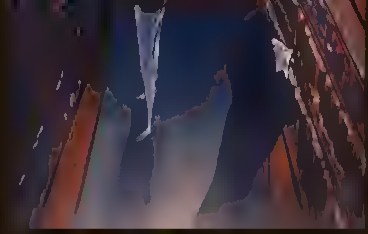

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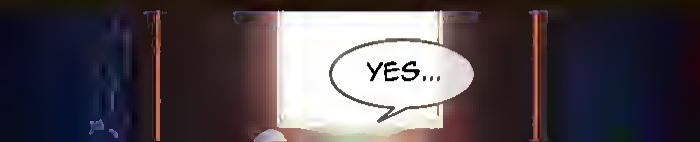


IS LADY WENDRA DOING WELL? I WAS REALLY SHOCKED WHEN I HEARD HER NAME.
WE BOTH HAVE BEEN BUSY FOR SO LONG, SO WE HAVEN'T SEEN EACH OTHER IN A LONG TIME. I SHOULD GO SEE HER SOME TIME.
IT SAYS MY HELP IS NEEDED IN THE LETTER... HOW MAY I BE OF ASSISTANCE?

AH...
THE DIRECTOR OF THE TICY LIBRARY IS A MAN OF INSIGHT. THEY SAY HE CAN SEE INTO ONE'S HEART.
DRIP
THAT'S...
INSTEAD OF TRYING TO LIE TO HIM, TELLING HIM THE TRUTH WILL BE MORE HELPFUL TO YOU.
IS IT SOMETHING THAT IS HARD TO SAY?

?
ER...
BUT, IT'S ALSO HARD TO TELL THE TRUTH.
WE...
SSH

MM... HOW CAN I PUT IT?
WE CAME HERE TO SEE IF WE COULD GET ANY HELP IN FINDING SIR ETHERMASK
AH!!
ACK!
ENZ, HOW COULD YOU JUST TELL HIM STRAIGHT UP...?!!

COVER
TRUTHFULLY...
RUSH RUSH
H, HANG ON.
IDIOT. YOU CAN'T JUST GO AND TELL HIM EVERYTHING.
HE MAY TAKE IT THE WRONG WAY IF YOU JUST SAY IT WITHOUT EXPLAINING THE SITUATION.

MY GOODNESS...
BUT, LADY WENDRA SAID THAT...
IF WE DON'T SAY IT STRAIGHTFORWARD, THINGS MAY JUST BACKFIRE.
BUT, WOULDN'T HE SEE IT AS BAD IF YOU JUST BLURT OUT ETHERMASK'S NAME?
.....

UNLIKE HOW WE KNOW OF HIM, HE IS THE MOST WANTED MAN IN THE WORLD AT THE MOMENT
SIR ETHERMASK...?
HMM...
SSH
KEEP GOING.
AH... UM... SO...

THE CAT IS ALREADY OUT OF THE BOX. LET'S JUST TELL HIM.
SIGH
IS THERE NO OTHER WAY?

THE REASON FOR OUR VISIT IS JUST AS ENZ HAS SAID
IT IS TO FIND INFORMATION ON SIR ETHERMASK'S WHEREABOUTS.
SSH
WE CAN'T TELL YOU THE REASON WHY IN DETAIL. BUT WE HAVE A CONNECTION TO ETHERMASK.

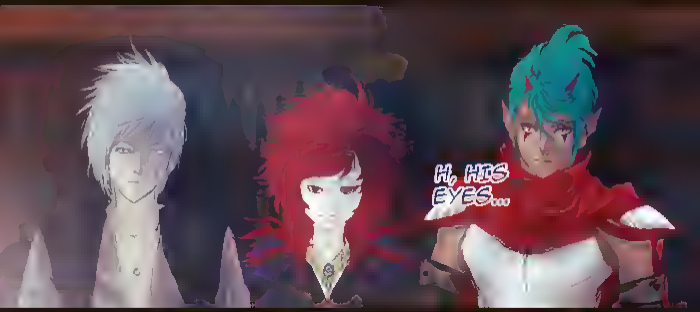
MM.
SO, WE ARE HERE TO FIND ETHERMASK'S WHEREABOUTS EVEN IF IT MAY PUT US IN DANGER.
THERE ARE MANY OF HIS IMPOSTORS ALL AROUND THE WORLD AS IF IT IS A TREND
HMM...
SSH
BECAUSE OF THIS, SIR ETHERMASK MAY HAVE BECOME ABLE TO MOVE MORE FREELY.

BUT, IN CONTRARY, IT BECAME SO MUCH HARDER FOR US TO FIND HIM. BECAUSE WE'RE MOVING ON OUR OWN.
IT ISN'T EASY TO SORT OUT ALL OF THESE RUMORS AROUND THE WORLD AND TAKE ACTION.
THAT'S WHY WE THOUGHT THAT IF WE CAME HERE, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO FIND SOME SOLID INFORMATION AND FIND SIR ETHERMASK BEFORE ANYONE ELSE.

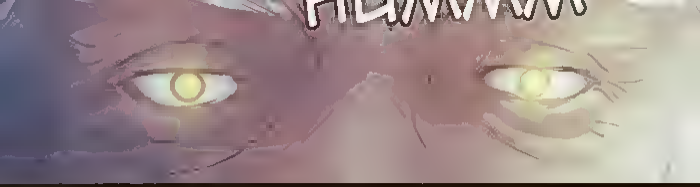
WE WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL IF YOU WERE TO HELP US FIND SIR ETHERMASK.
WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP

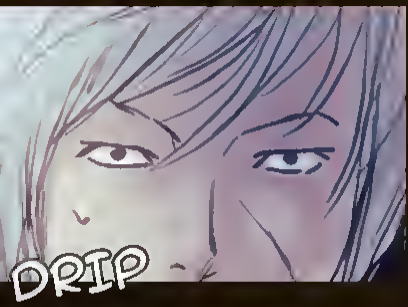
HELP US.
HMM...
FIDGET
FIDGET

HUM


HI, HIS EYES...

HUMMMM

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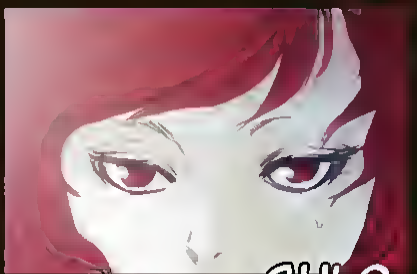
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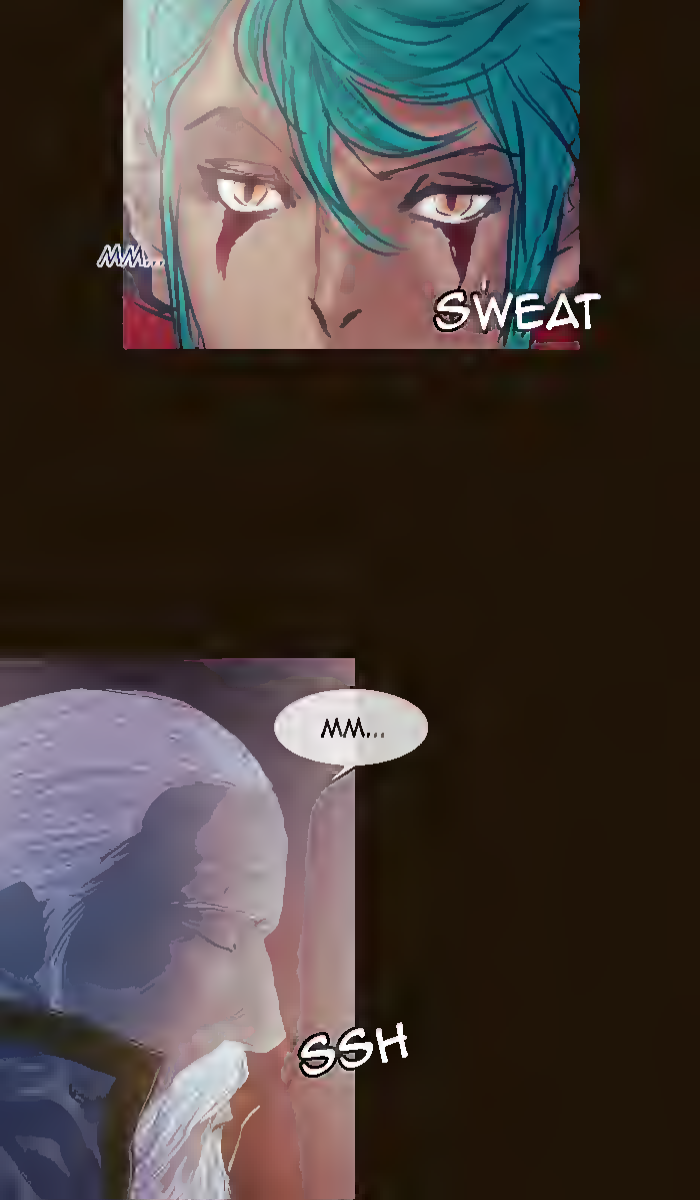
MM...
SWEAT
MM...
SSH

AH...
CREAK

STUMP
STUMP
STUMP
STUMP
.....

HALT

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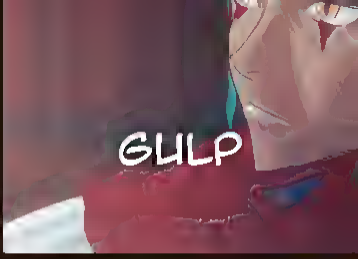
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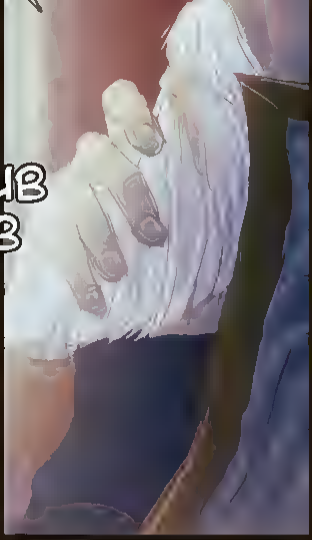
SHOULD WE NOT HAVE SAID IT?
LET'S WAIT FOR A SEC.

HMM...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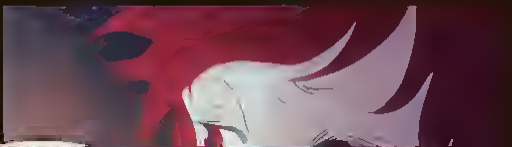

YOU GUYS ARE...
WINCE
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SIR ETHERMASK'S COMPANIONS, WHO TRAVELED THE CONTINENT WITH HIM 9 YEARS AGO.
HEH HEH HEH.
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO MEET YOU GUYS.

WHAA?
H, HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT..?
STAND
FLINCH
SIR... ETHERMASK?
YOU DIDN'T READ OUR MINDS FOR REAL, DID YOU...?
HEH HEH HEH, THERE ARE THOSE KIND OF RUMORS

IT'S BEEN A WHILE.
BUT, THAT ISN'T TRUE.
I DIDN'T READ YOUR MIND, BUT I READ YOUR AURAS, FACIAL EXPRESSIONS, VOICES, AND EYES

I JUST FIND OUT WHETHER WHAT THEY SAY IS TRUE OR NOT. I JUST HAVE GOOD OBSERVATION SKILLS.

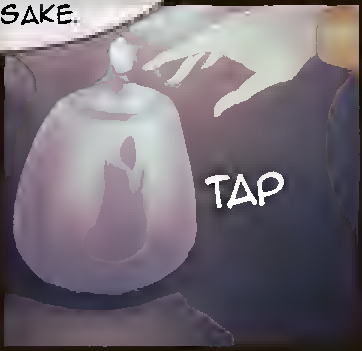
BUT, EVEN WITH SUCH INSIGHT, IT IS HARD TO READ PEOPLE LIKE SIR ETHERMASK OR LADY WENDRA, WHO ARE HIGHLY SKILLED IN THIS WORLD

IT'S ACTUALLY LIKE THEY ARE READING MY MIND
AHH...
AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SO TENSE.

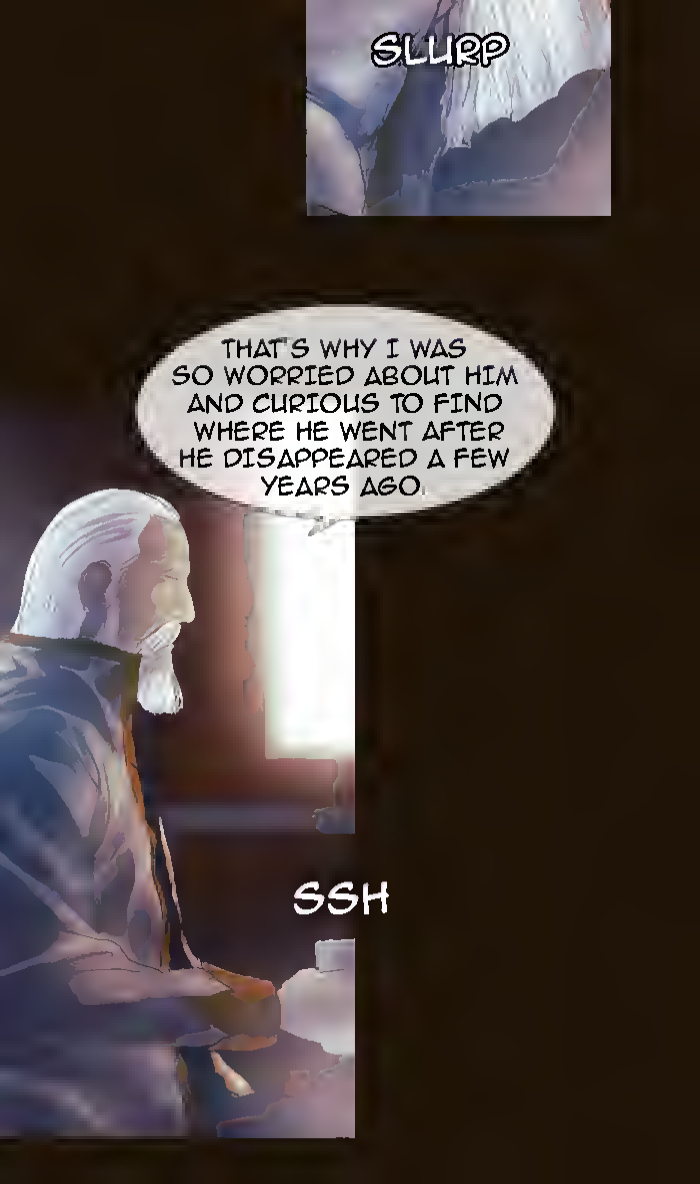
HEH HEH.
IT SEEMS LIKE MY OLD SELF HAS MADE YOU UNCOMFORTABLE. I'M VERY SORRY.
PLEASE MAKE YOURSELVES AT HOME. HAHAHA
AH...
IT'S FINE.
OKAY, OKAY. THE TEA IS DONE, SO LET'S TALK WHILE DRINKING SOME TEA.

POUR
YES, THANK YOU.
I SHALL TELL YOU THE TRUTH, TOO.
THANK YOU.
SIP
THIS IS GOOD.
YEAH?
I AM IN SIR ETHERMASK'S DEBTS.

IT MAY NOT BE APPROPRIATE TO SAY IT WAS PAID BACK FOR THAT, BUT I DID MANY THINGS WITH SIR ETHERMASK FOR HIS SAKE.



NO MATTER HOW THE WORLD THINKS OF HIM, HE IS A GREAT PERSON TO ME.
GRAB
HMM...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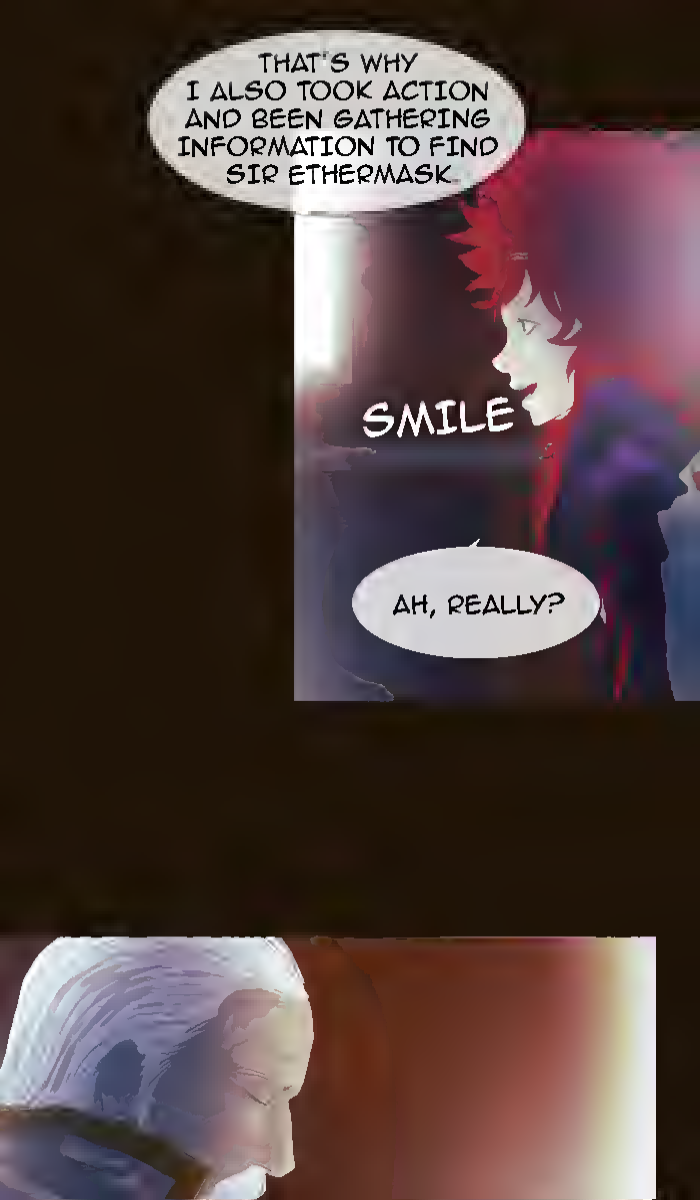
THAT'S WHY I WAS SO WORRIED ABOUT HIM AND CURIOUS TO FIND WHERE HE WENT AFTER HE DISAPPEARED A FEW YEARS AGO.
SSH


THAT'S WHY I ALSO TOOK ACTION AND BEEN GATHERING INFORMATION TO FIND SIR ETHERMASK
SMILE
AH, REALLY?

YES, BUT EVEN THOUGH I GATHERED MUCH INFORMATION THERE WAS NO WAY TO GO OUT AND TAKE AN ACTION...
UNTIL THE MOMENT... YOU GUYS APPEARED IN FRONT OF ME
AHH...
Y...YOU MEAN...?
THAT'S RIGHT I WILL GIVE YOU INFORMATION ON SIR ETHERMASK'S WHEREABOUTS

I HAVE ALSO BEEN WAITING FOR THIS DAY.
TH, THANK YOU SO MUCH.
STAND
I KNEW IT WAS A GOOD IDEA COMING HERE.
THANK YOU SO MUCH.
DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE GETTING TOO WORKED UP?
AHAHAHA.... I GOT A BIT EXCITED.

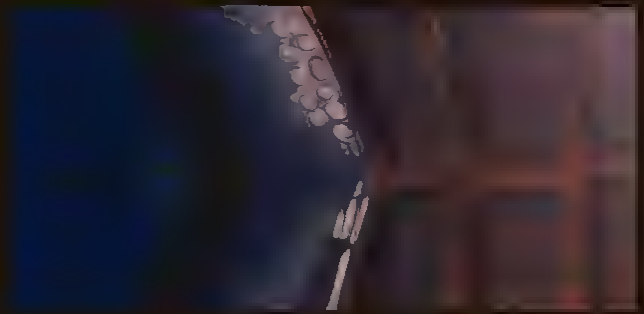
HAHA.
HEH.
CALM DOWN.
BUT, IT'S A RELIEF THAT WE FOUND THE RIGHT PLACE.
HAHAHAHA. I SHOULD BE THE ONE SAYING THANK YOU.
FIRST, LET'S FINISH UP THE TEA. THEN TALK SOMEWHERE ELSE.
HEH HEH.

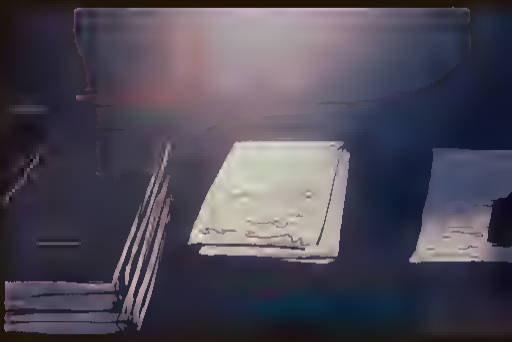
OKAY.

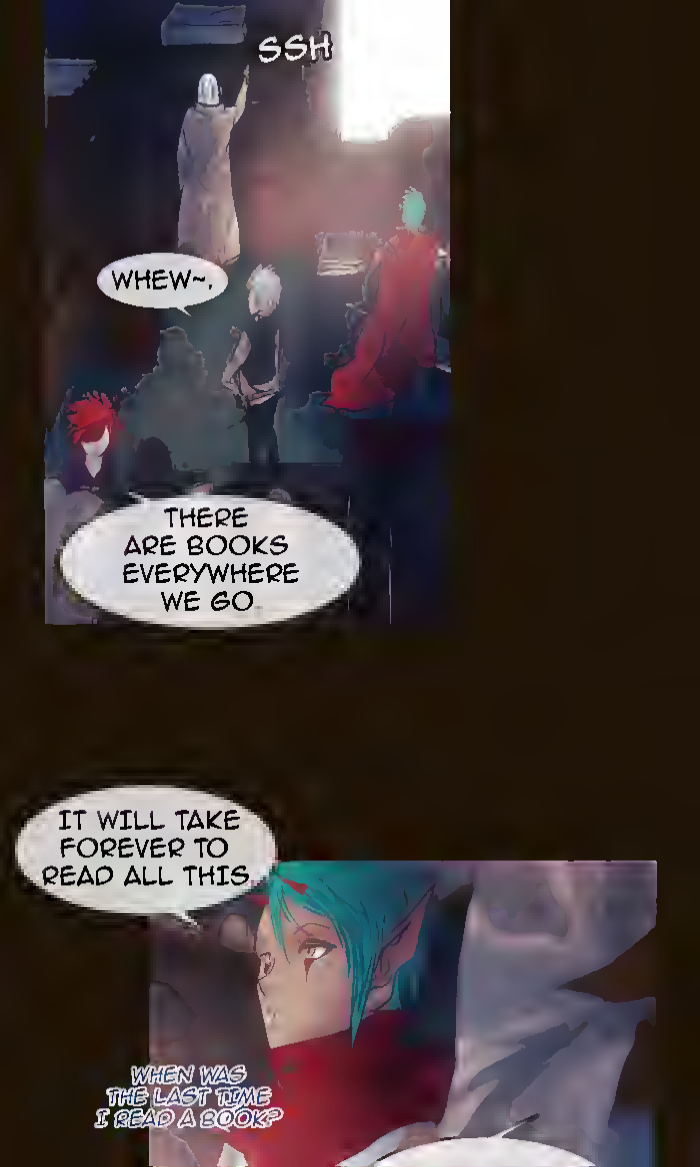
IT'S GREAT THAT THINGS ARE TURNING OUT WELL.

RIGHT? WE'VE BEEN RUNNING INTO SOME GOOD LUCK LATELY.

THINGS HAVE REALLY BEEN GOING OUR WAY AFTER WE MET THE MERCHANT.
SERIOUSLY.






SSH
WHEW~.
THERE ARE BOOKS EVERYWHERE WE GO
IT WILL TAKE FOREVER TO READ ALL THIS
WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME I READ A BOOK?

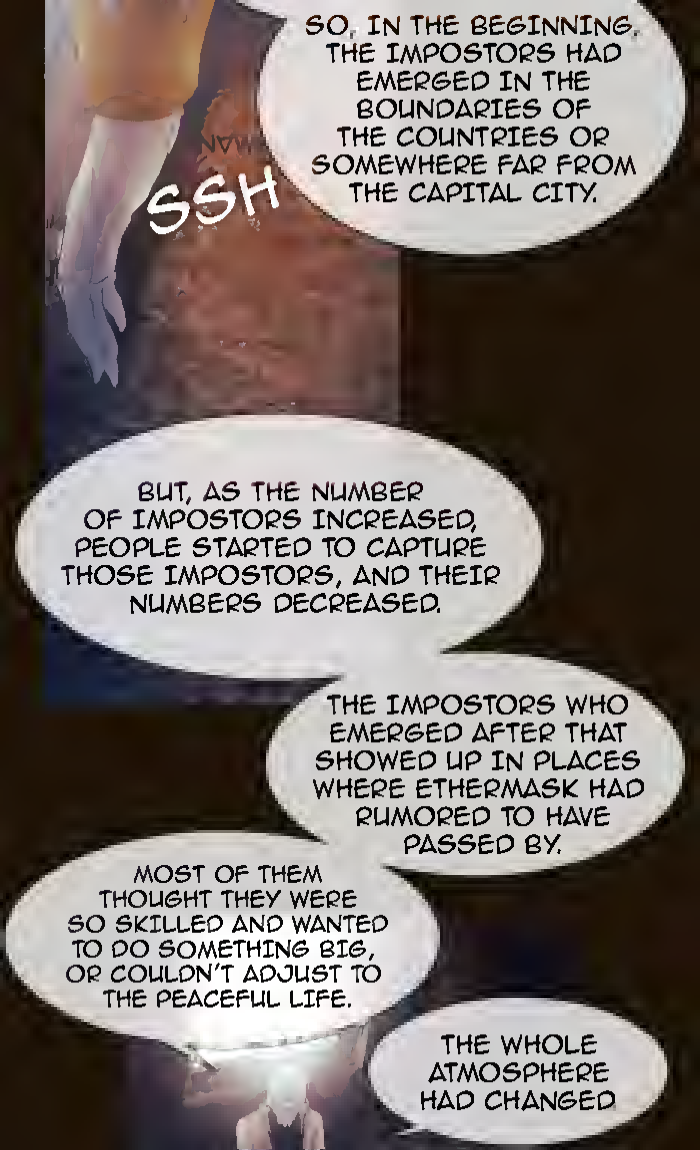
HERE IT IS.
EVERYONE, COME HERE.
SSH SSH
I SHALL EXPLAIN
TO FIND THE MOST ACCURATE INFORMATION POSSIBLE.

SSH
IT TOOK A VERY LONG TIME.
I SHALL EXPLAIN WHILE LOOKING AT THE MAP.
I'M SO NERVOUS.

I SHALL START FROM SIR ETHERMASK'S LAST KNOWN WHEREABOUTS.
TAP
PLEASE.
IN EDWIN.

POINT
THIS WAS SIR ETHERMASK'S LAST KNOWN LOCATION BEFORE HE DISAPPEARED
THEN A WAR

GOES ON IN THE CONTINENT FOR THE NEXT 5 YEARS.
AFTER THE CONTINENT WAS UNITED IN A RUSH, IT HAD TO GO THROUGH SIDE EFFECTS.
AS ONE OF THE RESULTS, THIEVES BEGAN TO EMERGE. IN FACT, THEY WERE IMPOSTORS OF
HMM..
NOD NOD
RIGHT, RIGHT.
SIR ETHERMASK, WHO WAS MOST NOTORIOUS FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS. DURING THE FIRST COUPLE OF YEARS,
SINCE EVERYONE USED THAT NAME TO ROB, THERE WERE SO MANY OF THEM


SO, IN THE BEGINNING, THE IMPOSTORS HAD EMERGED IN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE COUNTRIES OR SOMEWHERE FAR FROM THE CAPITAL CITY.
SSH
BUT, AS THE NUMBER OF IMPOSTORS INCREASED, PEOPLE STARTED TO CAPTURE THOSE IMPOSTORS, AND THEIR NUMBERS DECREASED.
THE IMPOSTORS WHO EMERGED AFTER THAT SHOWED UP IN PLACES WHERE ETHERMASK HAD RUMORED TO HAVE PASSED BY.
MOST OF THEM THOUGHT THEY WERE SO SKILLED AND WANTED TO DO SOMETHING BIG, OR COULDN'T ADJUST TO THE PEACEFUL LIFE.
THE WHOLE ATMOSPHERE HAD CHANGED

IT'S TROUBLESOME TO FIGHT AGAINST THESE GUYS.
YOU'RE RIGHT. WE MET SOMEONE LIKE THAT NOT LONG AGO.
SO, I TRIED TO EXCLUDE THESE KIND OF GUYS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.
GLANCE

AND LOOKED FOR INFORMATION ON HIM BASED ON HIS PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS AND BEHAVIOR
THEN, IT LED ME TO THESE TWO PLACES.
HERE...

IT'S THESE TWO PLACES.
STARTLED
AH. THIS PLACE IS...
NO WAY... ISN'T THIS THE PLACE...?
POINT

TO BE CONTINUED...

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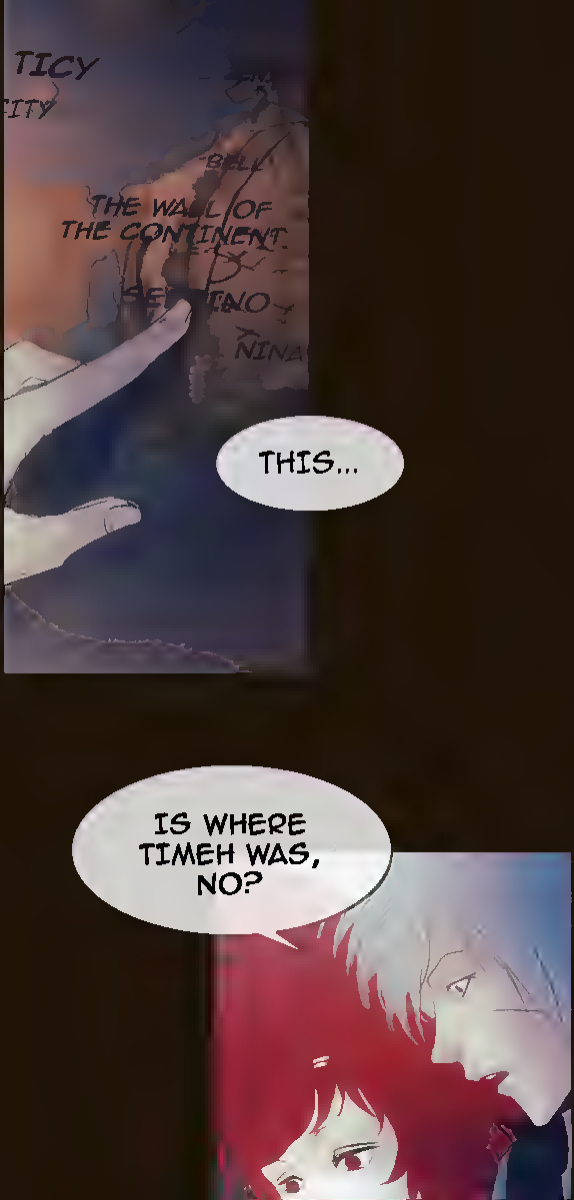
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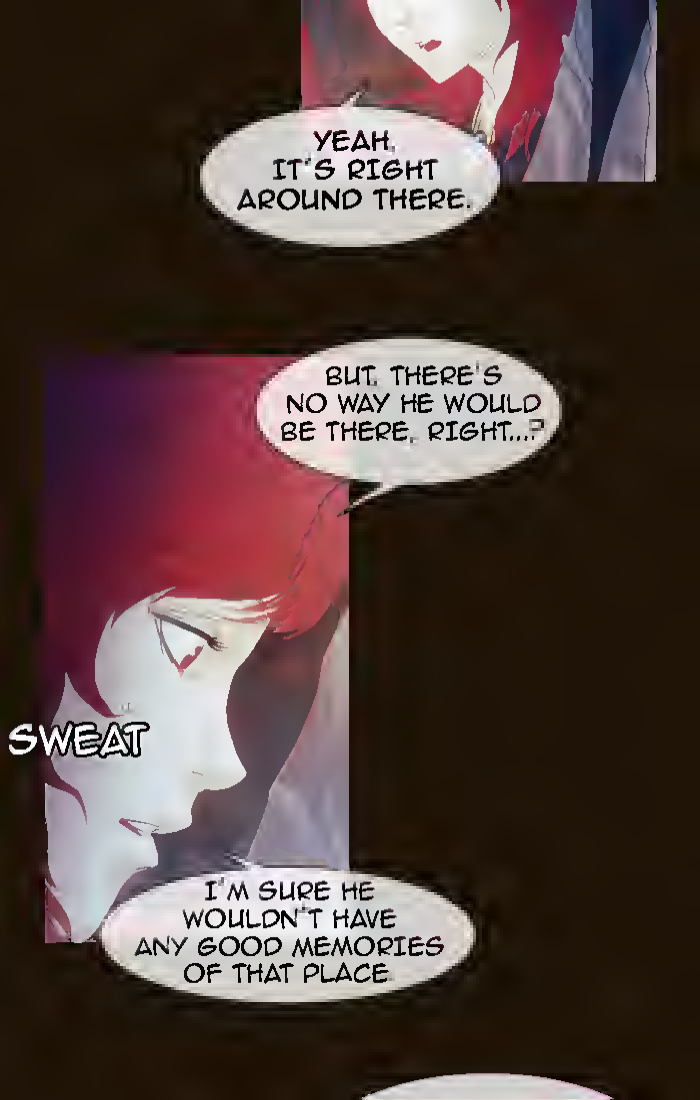
YEAH. IT'S RIGHT AROUND THERE.
BUT, THERE'S NO WAY HE WOULD BE THERE, RIGHT...?
SWEAT
I'M SURE HE WOULDN'T HAVE ANY GOOD MEMORIES OF THAT PLACE

BY THE LOOKS OF THINGS, I THINK I HAVE AN IDEA OF WHAT'S GOING ON.
FIRST, I WILL EXPLAIN MORE IN DETAIL...
ABOUT WHY I CHOSE THIS PLACE AS A POTENTIAL PLACE.

HAHA.
I FEEL MORE REASSURED BY YOUR REACTIONS.
GATE
ZENUA UPON
BELL THA
THE WALL OF THE CONTINENT
SEEING

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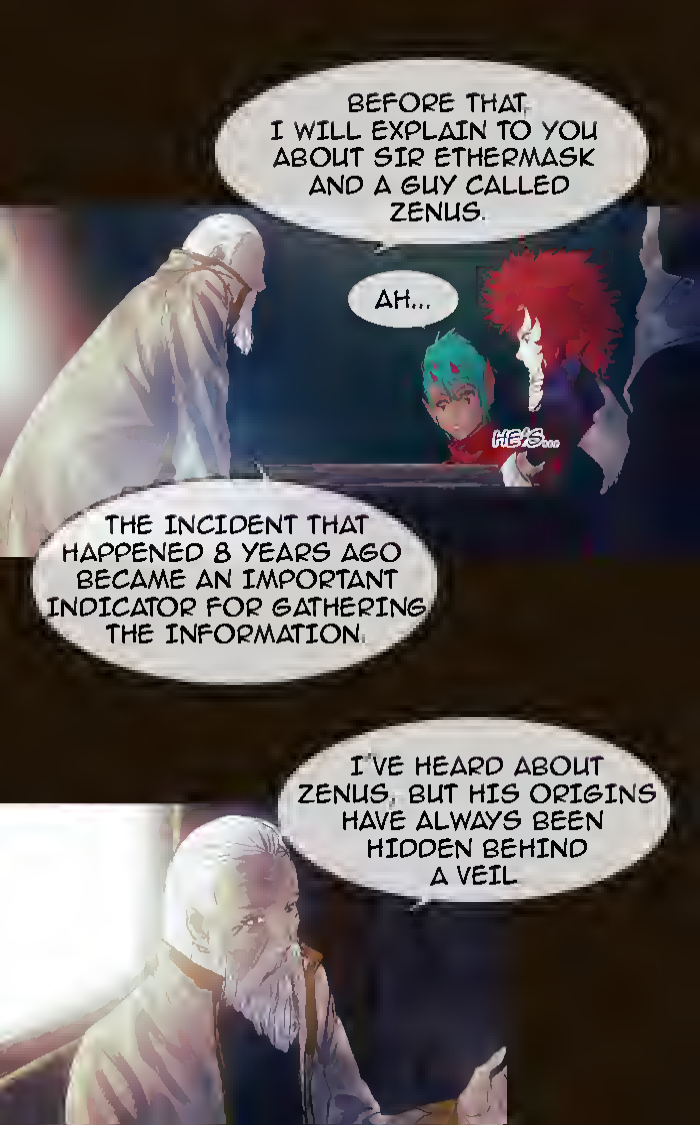

BEFORE THAT, I WILL EXPLAIN TO YOU ABOUT SIR ETHERMASK AND A GUY CALLED ZENUS.
AH...
HE'S...
THE INCIDENT THAT HAPPENED 8 YEARS AGO BECAME AN IMPORTANT INDICATOR FOR GATHERING THE INFORMATION.
I'VE HEARD ABOUT ZENUS, BUT HIS ORIGINS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN HIDDEN BEHIND A VEIL

UP UNTIL NOW, HE'D BEEN KNOWN TO BE A GREAT MAN WHO SAVED THEODORE WHEN IT WAS FALLING DOWN BECAUSE OF SIR ETHERMASK.

EVEN AFTER THAT, THERE WERE A LOT OF RUMORS ABOUT HIM, BUT NOBODY HAS ACTUALLY SEEN ZENUS.

THAT KIND OF ZENUS SHOWED HIMSELF TO EVERYONE 3 YEARS AGO.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN SIR ETHERMASK AND ZENUS IN THE PAST. ALL I KNOW IS THAT THEY HOLD GRUDGES ON EACH OTHER BASED ON THE FACE THAT THERE WAS A BIG CLASH 8 YEARS

AGO.
HE OFFICIALLY SHOWED HIS FACE.
BUT NOBODY HAD ANY IDEA THAT HE WOULD HAVE THE SAME FACE AS SIR ETHERMASK.
IT WAS A SHOCKING APPEARANCE TO EVERYONE.

HIS APPEARANCE MADE MANY PEOPLE GO INTO PANIC, AND BE AFRAID
BUT THE TIMING WAS INTERESTING
THE FOLLOWERS OF ZENUS, WHO SAVED THEODORE IN THE PAST, THOUGHT OF HIM AS A GOD, AND THERE ARE MANY OF THEM THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

OBVIOUSLY, TO THOSE PEOPLE, SIR ETHERMASK IS A SYMBOL OF EVIL FOR STANDING AGAINST ZENUS.

JUST LIKE HOW ZENUS HAD ALWAYS BEEN LIKE. HE SHOWED UP WHENEVER HE WAS NEEDED AND HELPED THE COUNTRY GET OUT OF DANGER AND KEPT THEM SAFE...
LIKE WHEN THEODORE'S KING WAS ASSASSINATED 8 YEARS GO.
OR WHEN THERE WAS A FIGHT WITH SIR ETHERMASK. THE SYMBOL OF EVIL.

HE MERGED THE CONTINENT WHICH WAS DIVIDED FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS WITH OVERWHELMING POWER.
GULP
WHEN SUCH A GUY OFFICIALLY SHOWED HIMSELF THROUGH A STATUE, PEOPLE FOUND OUT THAT HE HAD THE SAME FACE AS SIR ETHERMASK.
THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL? AND THE WORLD WHERE GOOD AND EVIL LIVE IN

TO ZENUS' FOLLOWERS, IT WAS THE DESCENT OF A GOD.
AND EVEN THOSE WHO DIDN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT HIM, COULD FEEL THE POWER HE HOLDS.
THEODORE'S KING EXISTS, BUT THE KING HAD BECOME NO LONGER IMPORTANT.
THE KINGDOM WHERE THE LIVING GOD DESCENDED TO.

THE KINGDOM WHERE THE GOD RULES OVER AND PROTECTS.
THAT IS THE NEW THEODORE.
IF ZENUS IS IMMORTAL LIKE SIR ETHERMASK,
GRIN
THIS KINGDOM WILL SURVIVE FOR A LONG TIME, WITH THE LIVING GOD...

I BELIEVE THERE ARE MORE AND MORE FOLLOWERS WHO BELIEVE HE IS A GOD AND MORE TEMPLES ARE BEING BUILT THROUGHOUT THE NATION. HE REALLY COULDN'T HAVE APPEARED AT A BETTER TIME.
GULP.
IT WON'T BE LONG UNTIL IT REALLY BECOMES HIS KINGDOM.
WE DON'T KNOW INTO DETAILS, BUT...

SSH
I'VE HEARD ZENUS AND SIR ETHERMASK ARE BROTHERS.
THE VERY PERSON WHO MADE SIR ETHERMASK IMMORTAL WAS ZENUS.
OH...

IT SEEMED LIKE THEY WERE MUTUAL ENEMIES
OH, REALLY? I KNEW IT... I FINALLY UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING.
GRIN

I FEEL MORE AND MORE SURE OF MY INVESTIGATIONS.
WE'RE DONE TALKING ABOUT THE PAST. LET'S MOVE ONTO THE PRIMARY PART.
SSH

AFTER HEARING ABOUT THEIR FIGHT 8 YEARS AGO, I FOUND OUT THAT SIR ETHERMASK AND ZENUS ARE ENEMIES. I ALSO HEARD THAT SIR ETHERMASK LOST.
SO I CAME WITH A THOUGHT THAT SIR ETHERMASK WOULD HAVE GOTTEN OUT OF ZENUS' SIGHT AND GAINED STRENGTH AFTER THAT.

THE ANSWER SEEMS EVIDENT AFTER TALKING TO YOU GUYS. THE PLACE YOU GUYS KNOW VERY WELL AND THAT IS OUT OF ZENUS' SIGHTS.

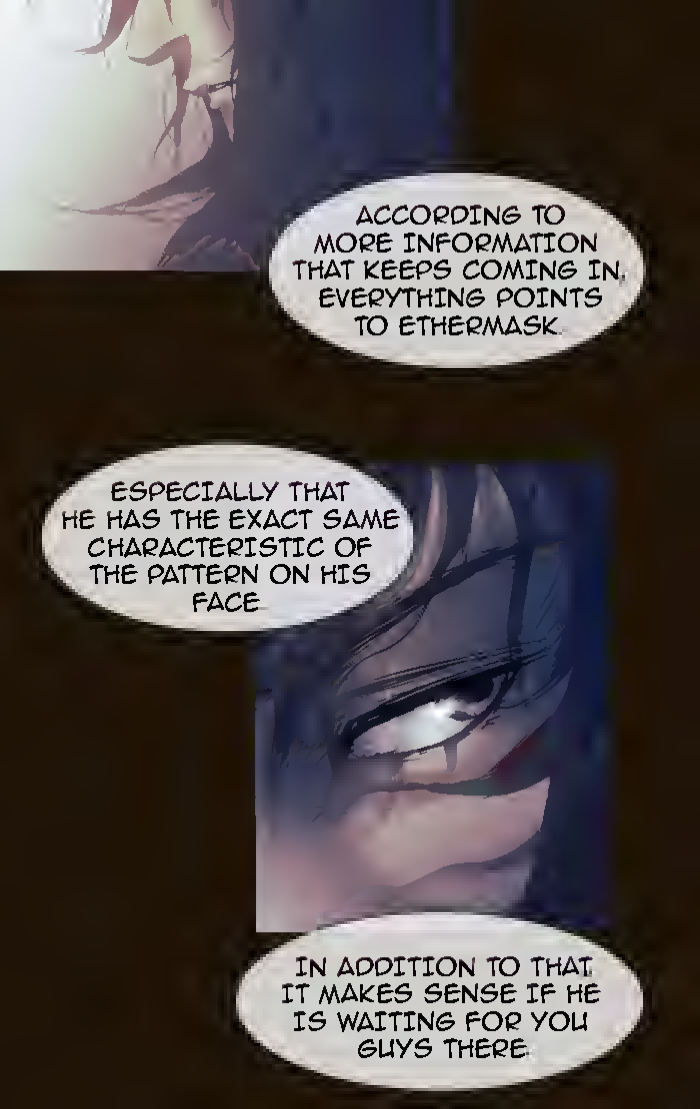
IF WE ADD ALL OF THIS UP, THE ONLY PLACE THAT'S LEFT IS SEBRINO.

POINT
I'M SURE HE IS WAITING FOR HIS TIME OVER THERE.
I SAID I HEARD ABOUT THIS GUY ABOUT 2 YEARS AGO, RIGHT?

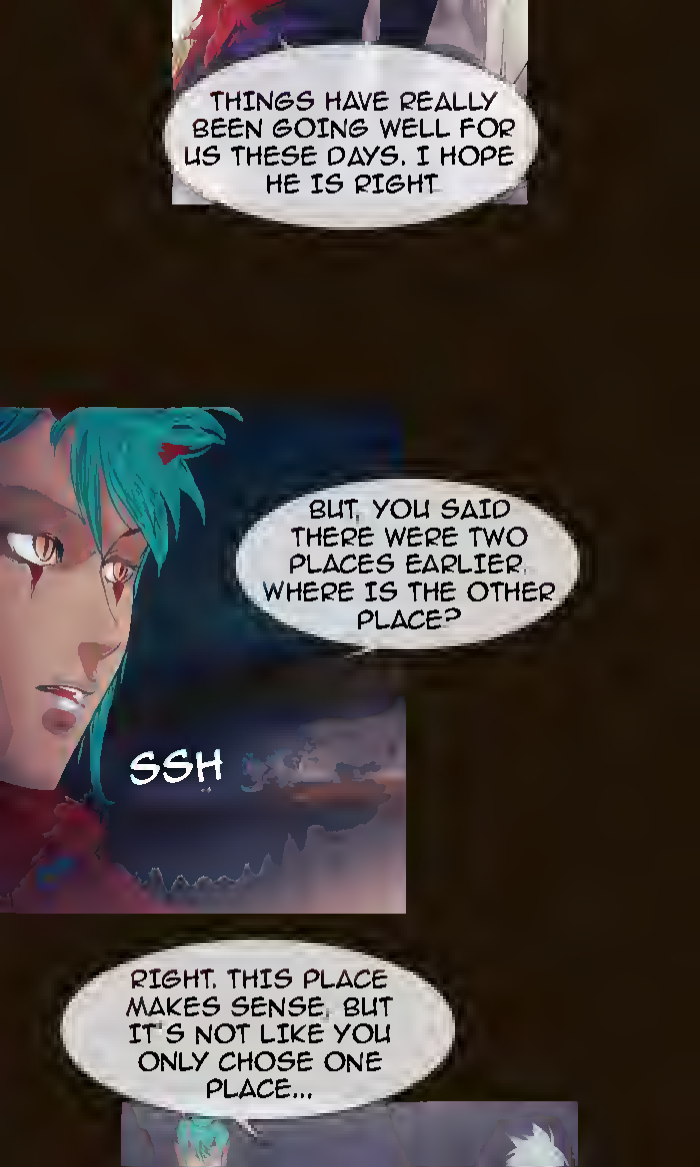
IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT, IT SOUNDS JUST LIKE SIR ETHERMASK, THE APPEARANCE AND THE WAY HE TALKS.

HE IS A VERY COMPETENT PERSON WITH TREMENDOUS ENERGY. HE USES THE SAME KIND OF MAGIC SIR ETHERMASK USES.

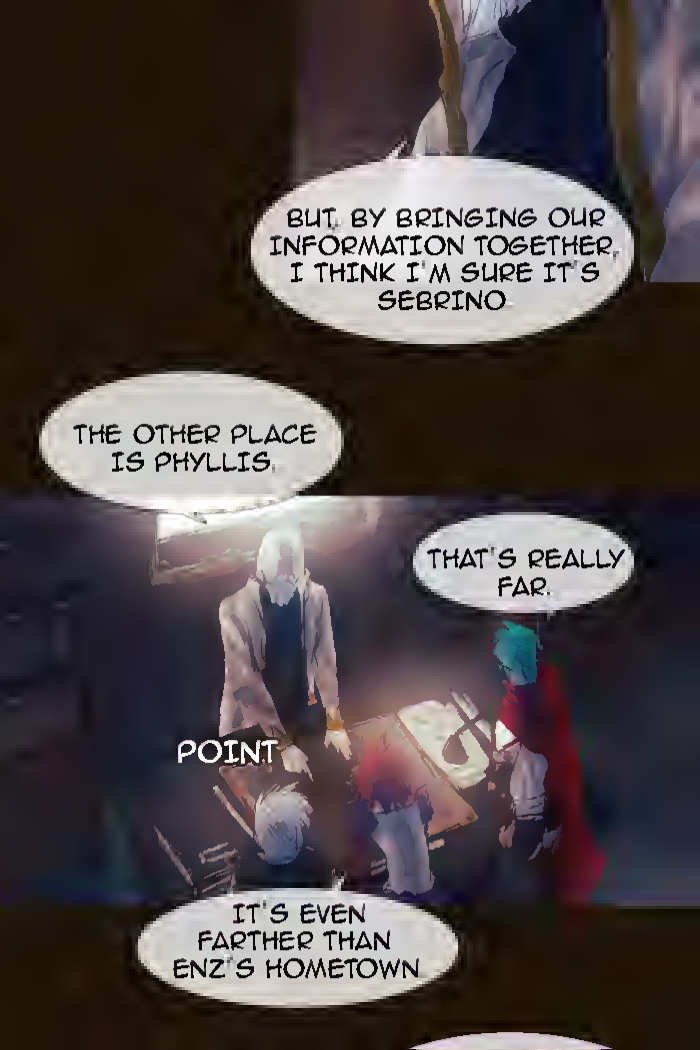
HE COMES TO THIS PLACE ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH, THEN LEAVES WITHOUT A TRACE.


ACCORDING TO MORE INFORMATION THAT KEEPS COMING IN, EVERYTHING POINTS TO ETHERMASK.
ESPECIALLY THAT HE HAS THE EXACT SAME CHARACTERISTIC OF THE PATTERN ON HIS FACE.
IN ADDITION TO THAT, IT MAKES SENSE IF HE IS WAITING FOR YOU GUYS THERE.

THAT SOUNDS ABOUT RIGHT.
YEAH.
CLENCH
IT MAKES SENSE. IT'S POSSIBLE.
IF IT'S REALLY SIR ETHERMASK...
GRIN


THINGS HAVE REALLY BEEN GOING WELL FOR US THESE DAYS. I HOPE HE IS RIGHT
BUT, YOU SAID THERE WERE TWO PLACES EARLIER. WHERE IS THE OTHER PLACE?
SSH
RIGHT. THIS PLACE MAKES SENSE, BUT IT'S NOT LIKE YOU ONLY CHOSE ONE PLACE...

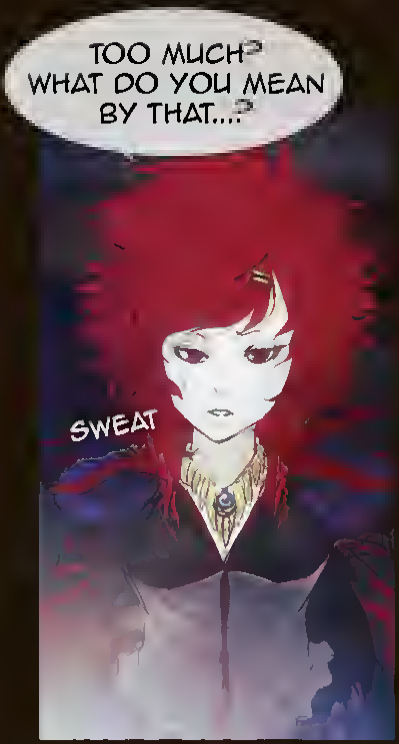
HMM...
AHH...
IS THAT PLACE AS CONVINCING AS SEBRINO?
BEFORE YOU GUYS CAME, I COULDN'T BE SURE OF BOTH PLACES


BUT, BY BRINGING OUR INFORMATION TOGETHER, I THINK I'M SURE IT'S SEBRINO
THE OTHER PLACE IS PHYLLIS.
THAT'S REALLY FAR.
POINT
IT'S EVEN FARTHER THAN ENZ'S HOMETOWN

TRUTHFULLY, A GUY THAT APPEARED HERE ALSO MATCHES ALL OUR GUESSES TOGETHER
THIS PLACE WON'T BE EASY.
YEAH? THEN, WHY...
YES, EVERYTHING IS PERFECT. BUT THERE IS SOMETHING THAT BOTHERS ME.
SOMETHING THAT BOTHERS YOU?

YES, IT IS ABOUT GATHERING COMRADES.
SSH
COMRADES? WEREN'T THE COMRADES WHAT WAS NEEDED?

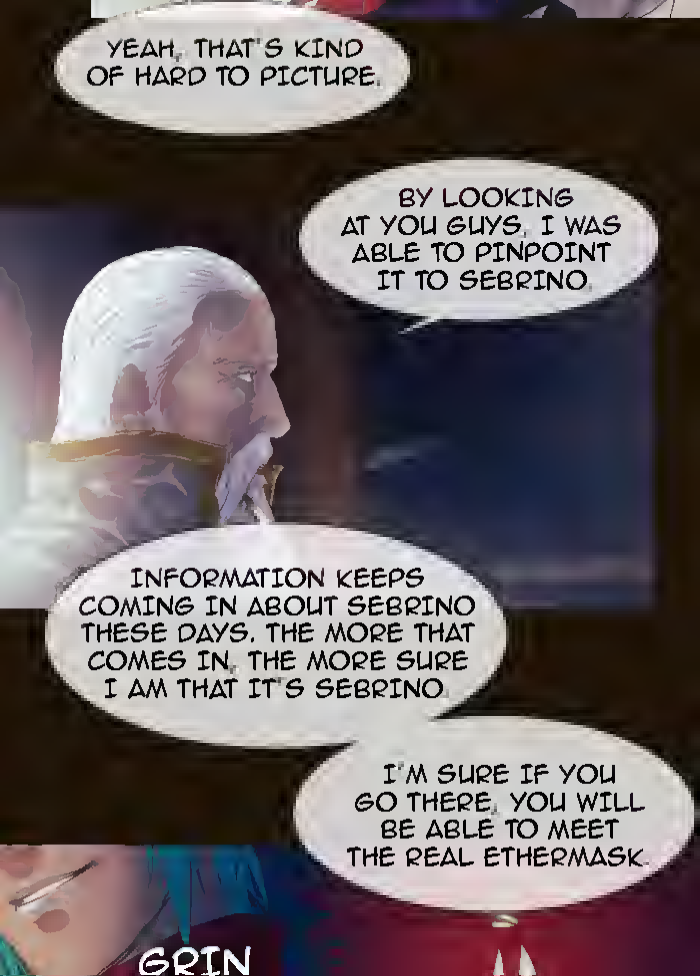
RIGHT. BECAUSE OF THE FAILURE IN THE PAST, I THOUGHT HE WOULD GATHER COMRADES. THAT I AM SURE OF.
BUT, THAT'S JUST A BIT TOO MUCH.
SSH



I'D RATHER SAY THAT THE ONE HERE IS GATHERING AN ARMY THAN COMRADES.

A, ARMY? UH, THAT'S INTENSE.
SWEAT
EHH?
YES. THE ETHERMASK HERE IS MAKING AN ARMY TO FIGHT OFF ZENUS.

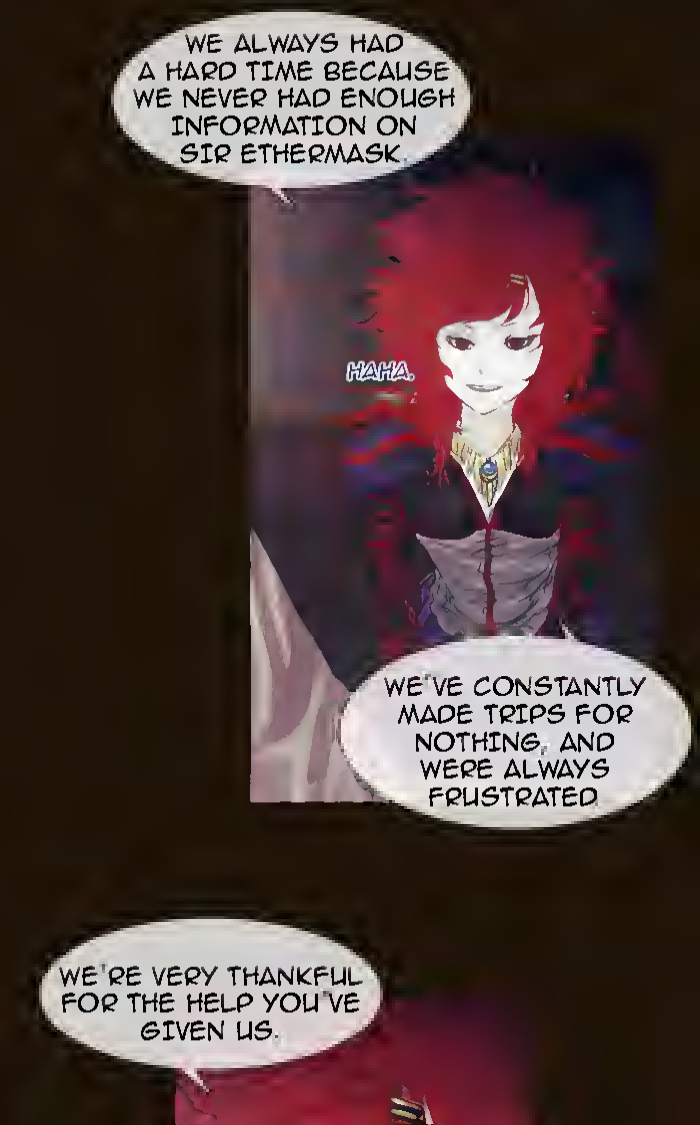
BUT...
THEY MAY BE HOSTILE TO EACH OTHER, BUT THINKING ABOUT SIR ETHERMASK'S PERSONALITY,
HMM...
THIS IS JUST TOO MUCH.
WELL, SIR ETHERMASK WOULDN'T MAKE AN ARMY.
NOD


YEAH, THAT'S KIND OF HARD TO PICTURE.
BY LOOKING AT YOU GUYS, I WAS ABLE TO PINPOINT IT TO SEBRINO.
INFORMATION KEEPS COMING IN ABOUT SEBRINO THESE DAYS. THE MORE THAT COMES IN, THE MORE SURE I AM THAT IT'S SEBRINO.
I'M SURE IF YOU GO THERE, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO MEET THE REAL ETHERMASK.
GRIN

BEAM
AHHH...

GRAB

DIRECTOR,
THANK YOU SO MUCH.
THANK YOU VERY
MUCH.
CLENCH


WE ALWAYS HAD A HARD TIME BECAUSE WE NEVER HAD ENOUGH INFORMATION ON SIR ETHERMASK.
HAHA.
WE'VE CONSTANTLY MADE TRIPS FOR NOTHING, AND WERE ALWAYS FRUSTRATED.
WE'RE VERY THANKFUL FOR THE HELP YOU'VE GIVEN US.

GRIN
YOU HAVE BEEN OF GREAT HELP TO US.
HA HA HA. I SHOULD BE THANKFUL.
RUB RUB

MY EFFORTS DIDN'T GO TO WASTE. GETTING ALL THIS READY WAS FRUITFUL.
PLEASE SAY HELLO FOR ME IF YOU SUCCEED IN FINDING HIM.
THIS IS REALLY GREAT.
HEH HEH.
YES. WE WILL. FOR SURE.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TODAY.
THANK YOU.

HA HA HA HA.
IT WAS NOTHING.
THEN, I SHALL BE GATHERING MORE INFORMATION HERE.
HA HA.
IN CASE YOU FAIL IN FINDING SIR ETHERMASK, DON'T GET TOO DOWN, AND COME BACK HERE
IT WILL BE BETTER TO TAKE THE LONG ROAD INSTEAD OF BEING SWAYED BY FAKE INFORMATION.

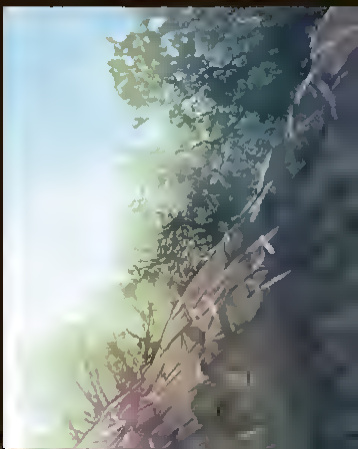
YES, THANK YOU. WE WILL KEEP THAT IN MIND.

BUT, IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE COULD FIND HIM IN ONE TRY.

RIGHT? WE'RE TIRED OF BEING SWAYED BY FAKE INFORMATION...

I HOPE YOU COME BACK WITH GOOD RESULTS.

YES, WE'LL BE LEAVING NOW.
WE HOPE TO GIVE SOME GOOD NEWS THE NEXT TIME WE MEET.
HA HA HA, I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT.



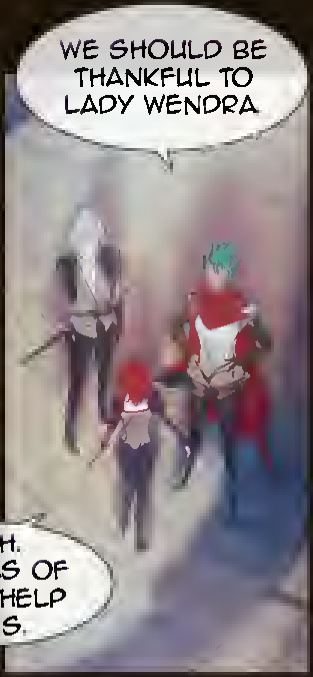
STEP
STEP

TAK

AWWWWW~.

WOW, WE REALLY HAVE SOME LUCK.
DOESN'T IT FEEL LIKE WE'RE REALLY GONNA FIND HIM THIS TIME?
TWIRL
YEAH, THINGS ARE REALLY GOING OUR WAY.
RIGHT? THIS IS NO JOKE.

HAHAHA, YEAH.



YEAH. SHE WAS OF GREAT HELP TO US.

AND THE MERCHANT SAID HE WOULD ALSO GATHER INFORMATION.

SOMEHOW, I FEEL LIKE WE HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION EVEN BEFORE WE HEAR FROM HIM?
YEAH, HE DID.
AH, RIGHT. BUT,
WHAT IF HIS INFORMATION IS THE SAME AS OURS?

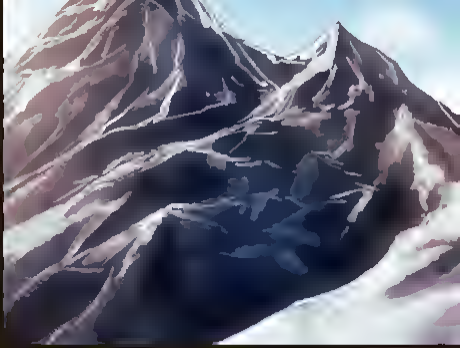
OH. IF THAT'S THE CASE...
THEN, IT'S OBVIOUS!!!
HAHAHA.
CLENCH
IT WOULD BE CRAZY IF THAT'S TRUE.

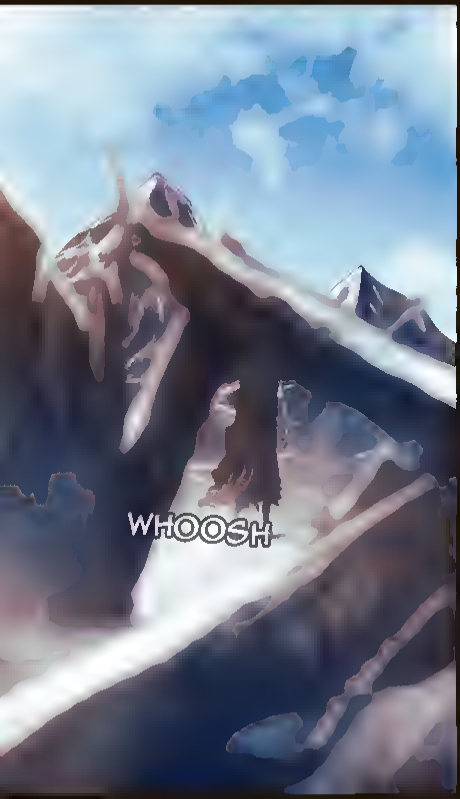
I REALLY HOPE SO AFTER HEARING YOU SAY THAT.
SQUEEZE
IT FEELS LIKE HE'LL HAVE THE SAME INFORMATION AS OURS.
NICE, I FEEL LIKE IT WILL HAPPEN!!!
I REALLY FEEL LIKE WE'RE GONNA MEET HIM THIS TIME!!!

THIS-
IS GREAT!!!
LET'S DO
THIS!!!

SIR
ETHERMASK,
JUST WAIT A
BIT LONGER!!!

WE'LL SEE YOU SOON!!!

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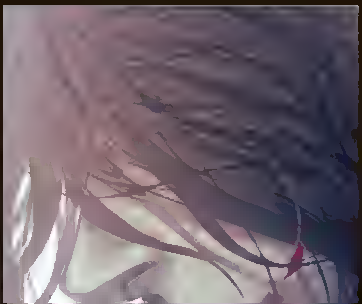

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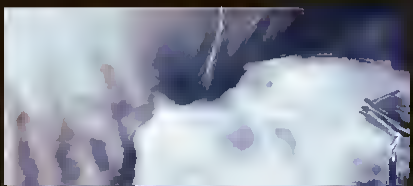

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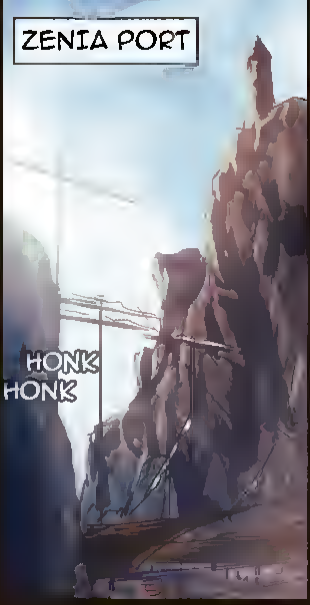
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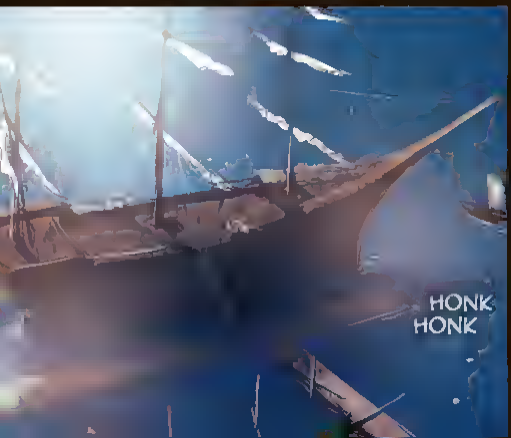
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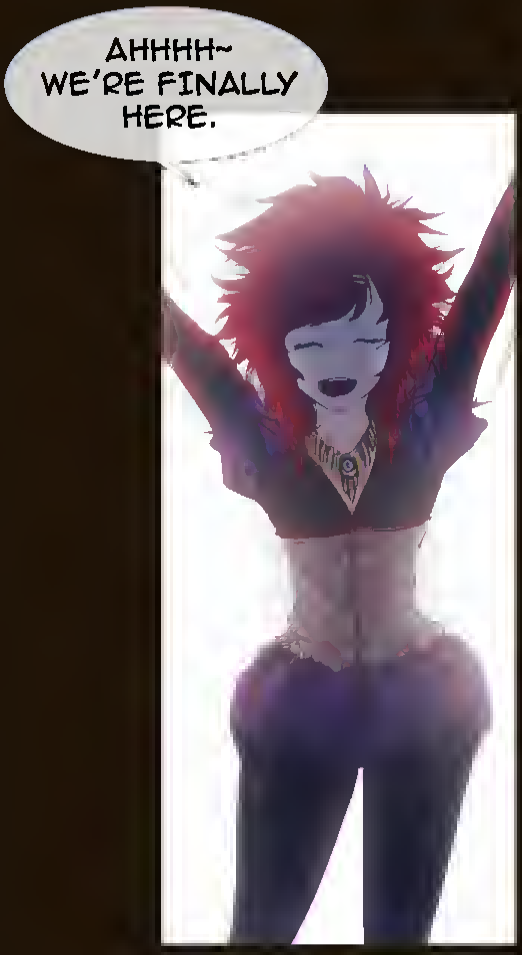
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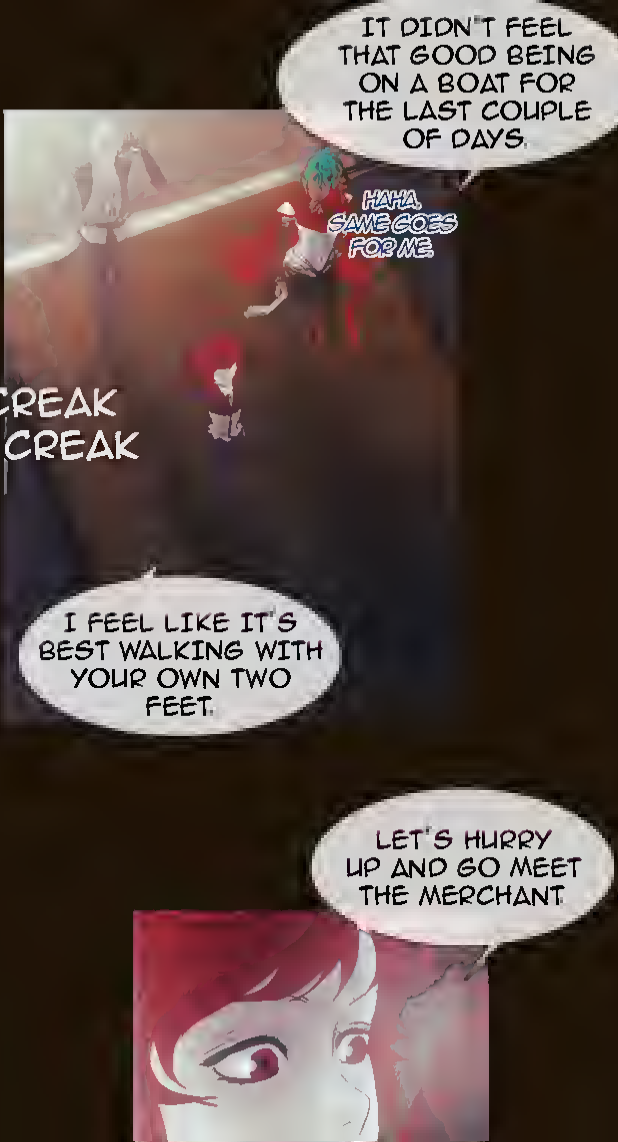
WE'RE FINALLY
HERE.


IT DIDN'T FEEL THAT GOOD BEING ON A BOAT FOR THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS.
HAHA. SAME GOES FOR ME.
CREAK CREAK
I FEEL LIKE IT'S BEST WALKING WITH YOUR OWN TWO FEET.
LET'S HURRY UP AND GO MEET THE MERCHANT.

HUH?
I WANT TO HURRY UP AND LISTEN TO WHAT HE HAS TO SAY...
AH, MISTER!!!
HEH HEH HEH. WERE YOU GUYS SHOCKED?

HOW DID YOU KNOW WHEN TO COME?
KATA KATA
OH, MY, WATCH OUT.
HAHAHA. WHILE YOU GUYS WERE IN THE MAGIC CITY,

I HEARD FROM THE BOAT THAT LEFT FIRST.
THAT'S HOW I WAS ABLE TO COME OUT ON TIME.
HEH HEH.
AH, I SEE.

I WAS SHOCKED BECAUSE I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT HAVE COME OUT EVERY DAY TO WAIT FOR US.

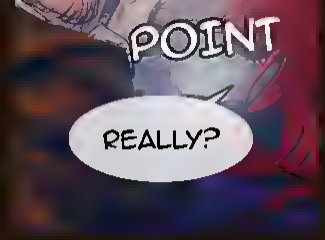
OH, MY, I CAN'T DO THAT IN MY BODY ANYMORE.

HAHAHA.

I'VE AGED SO MUCH.

COME ON, YOU'RE STILL HEALTHY.

HAHAHA. I HAVE A CARRIAGE READY, SO LET'S E-O.


POINT
REALLY?

NICE, YOU'RE THE BEST!!!
I WAS TIRED BECAUSE WE WERE IN A BOAT FOR SO LONG. THIS IS GOOD
THAT'S GOOD.
SQUEEZE
YOU'VE BECOME A LOT MORE SENSIBLE.

SHALL WE TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED ON THE WAY?
NICE.

CHAPTER 2 EPISODE 4 - TWO ETHERMASKS (04)

CLATTER
CLATTER
HYAP!
CLATTER
CLATTER

OHH~.

CLANK
CLANK
I SEE. LADY WENDRA KNEW THE DIRECTOR OF THE TICY LIBRARY. HE MUST HAVE BEEN OF GREAT HELP
CLANK
CLANK
HO...
YES, HE HELPED US OUT A LOT.

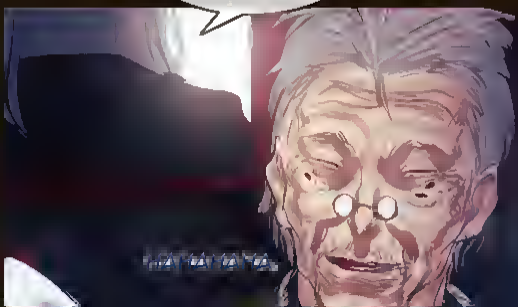
YOU CAN TRUST INFORMATION IF IT'S TICY'S INFORMATION. I WAS JUST A FEW STEPS LATE.
HEH HEH HEH.
CLANK CLANK
HAVE YOU FOUND OUT ANYTHING IN THAT TIME?

MM... I DID TRY TO FIND SOME INFORMATION, BUT I DON'T THINK I WILL BE ABLE TO MATCH UP TO TICY'S INFORMATION.
GRIN
THE DIRECTOR SAID HE COULDN'T BE 100% SURE, EITHER.
WE NEED TO DECIDE AFTER WE GATHER ALL OF OUR INFORMATION TOGETHER.
HEH HEH.
CLANK CLANK
RIGHT. WHO KNOWS? IF YOUR INFORMATION MATCHES WITH THE ONE FROM THE DIRECTOR, THE HIGHER THE CHANCES OF IT BEING RIGHT

GOES UP.

YEAH, SO JUST TELL US EVERYTHING YOU KNOW.

WHOA~ WHOA.

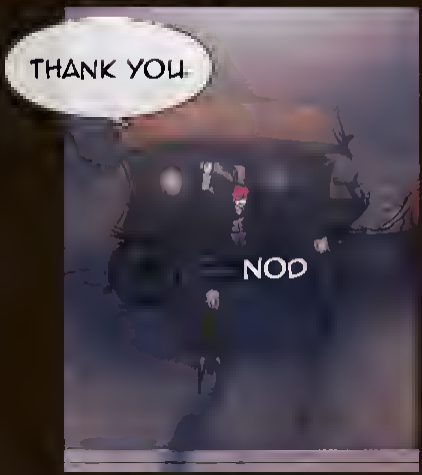


I HOPE OUR INFORMATION IS SIMILAR.
SIR, WE'RE HERE.
KNOCK KNOCK
OH, OKAY.
WOW- THAT WAS REALLY FAST.

CREAK

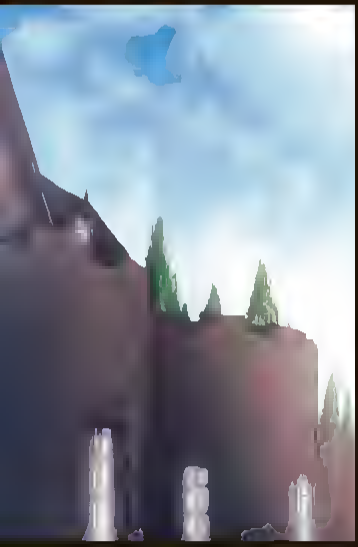
THEN, LET'S GO INSIDE AND FINISH OUR TALK.

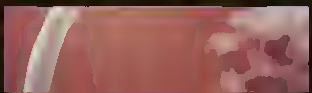
IT WAS SO HARD FINDING THIS PLACE BEFORE...



AH, I'VE GOTTEN DINNER READY.
GRIN
EATING BEFORE FINISHING OUR TALK WOULD BE BEST, RIGHT?
CLANK
LET'S EAT. I'M HUNGRY.
HEH HEH, THAT SOUNDS GOOD
SSH

ME TOO.
HAHAHA. I KNEW IT.
BUT. WHAT ARE WE GOING TO EAT?
OF COURSE I GOT THE BEST FOOD READY. YOU'LL LOVE IT.
CLATTER CLATTER
AH~ I'M SO EXCITED.

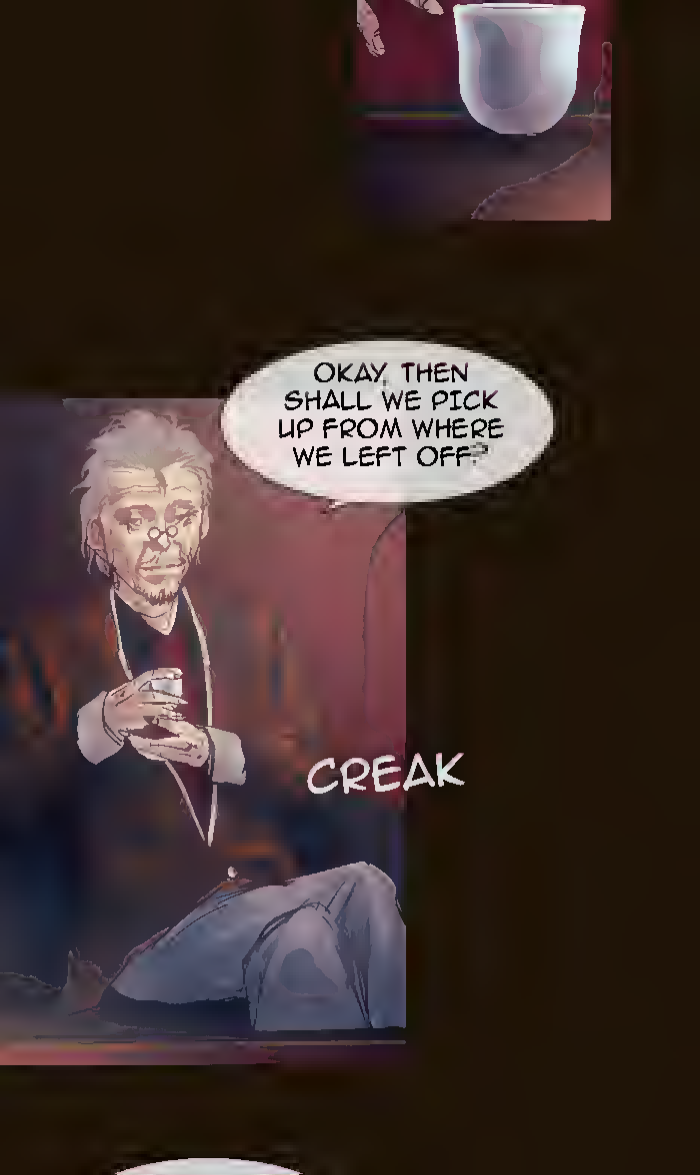




POURR
THANK YOU.
SSH
WOW~ IT SMELLS SO GOOD
THANK YOU.

DID THE FOOD MATCH YOUR TASTES?
HAHAHAHA.
AHH, IT WAS REALLY GOOD
IT WAS SOMETHING WE'VE NEVER TASTED BEFORE!
AHHH...
IT WAS SO GREAT
HEH HEH.

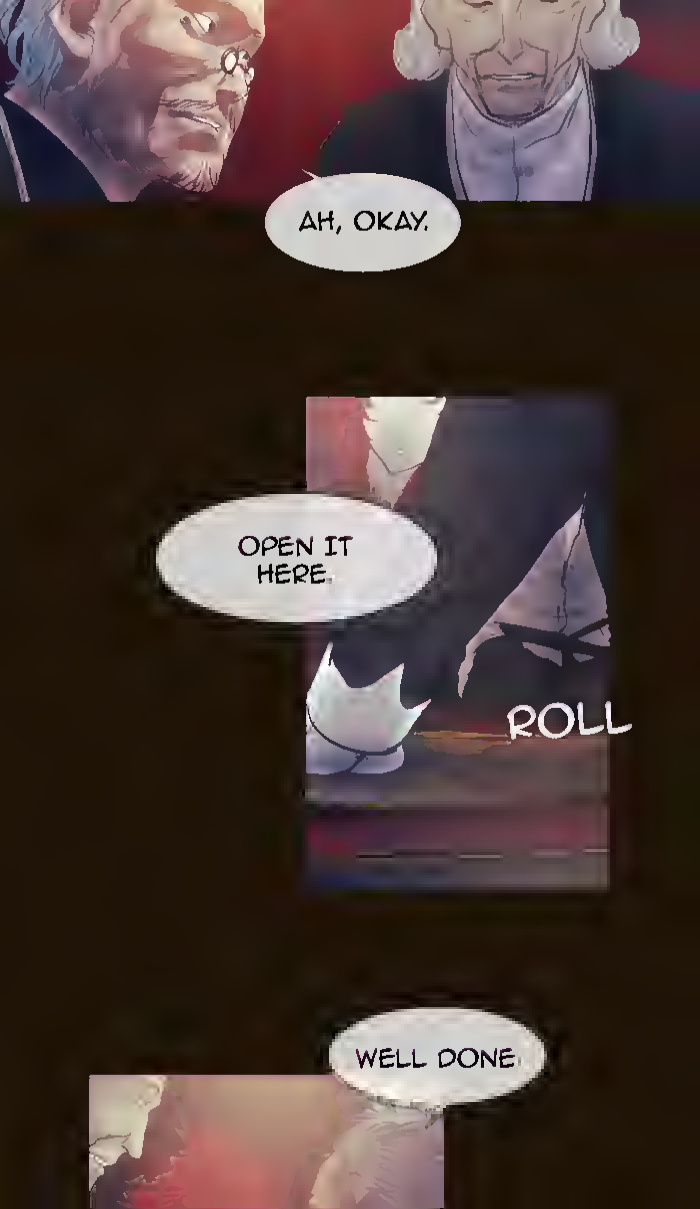
IT TASTED MARVELOUS.
HAHAHA. GETTING THIS READY WAS FRUITFUL
UHMP
IT WAS PRETTY HARD GETTING THE INGREDIENTS. I'M THANKFUL YOU LIKED IT.
SSH

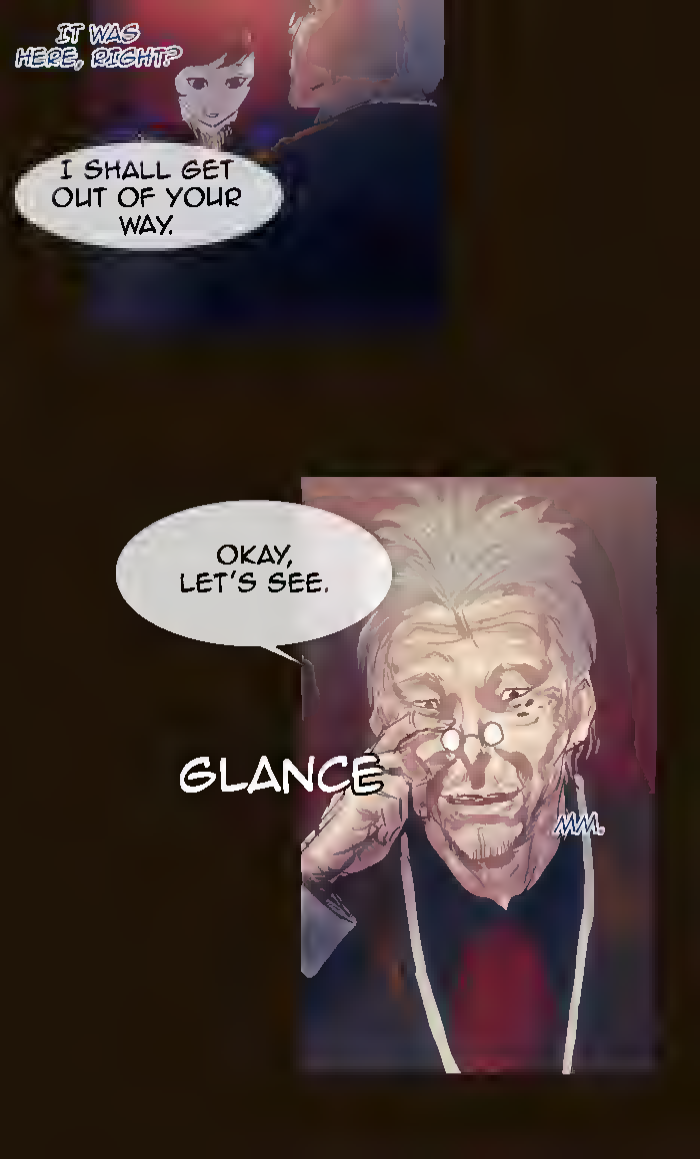

OKAY, THEN SHALL WE PICK UP FROM WHERE WE LEFT OFF?
CREAK

GET THE MAP READY.
SSH
YES, SIR.

WOW, THIS TEA IS SO DAMN GOOD.

MM.
STUMP STUMP
I DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT TEA, BUT IT SMELLS VERY GOOD
IT'S PRETTY EASY GETTING IT AROUND HERE. I'LL GET YOU AS MUCH AS YOU'D LIKE.
HAHAHA
HEH~.
REALLY? I'M GONNA DRINK IT WHILE TRAVELING.
I'VE GOTTEN IT READY, MASTER.


AH, OKAY.
OPEN IT HERE.
ROLL
WELL DONE


IT WAS HERE, RIGHT?
I SHALL GET OUT OF YOUR WAY.
OKAY, LET'S SEE.
GLANCE
MM.

WHERE WAS THE PLACE YOU HEARD FROM THE DIRECTOR?
AH... SO.
THERE WERE TWO PLACES, BUT WE CAME TO DECIDE ON ONE PLACE AFTER PUTTING OUR INFORMATION TOGETHER.
THE PLACE THAT DIDN'T MAKE THE CUT IS PHYLLIS.
MARCIA
POINTERSER
MM, MM...

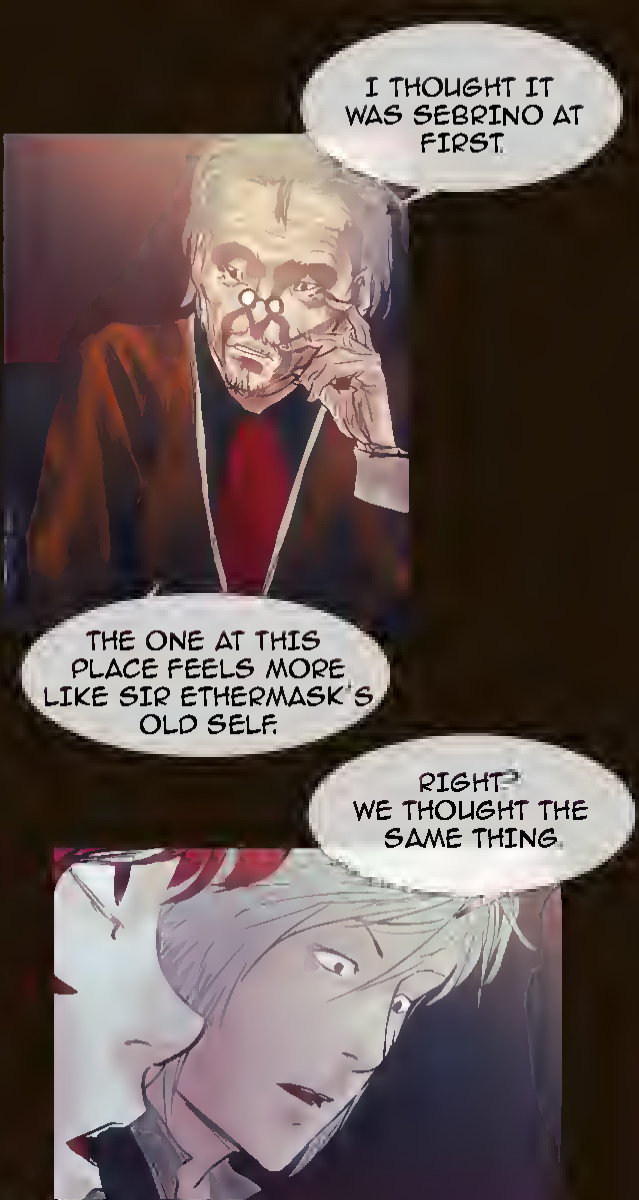
OUR FINAL CHOICE IS SEBRINO.
CONTINENT
SEBRINO
POINT
NINA
MAN
THIS IS A PLACE WE'VE BEEN TO WITH SIR ETHERMASK, SO IT HELPED IN MAKING OUR DECISION.
WE THOUGH ABOUT PHYLLIS, BUT SEBRINO JUST SEEMED MORE LIKE THE RIGHT ANSWER.
MM, I SEE.
RUB RUB
OKAY, OKAY.

MY INFORMATION ISN'T SO BAD AFTER ALL. IT'S ALMOST THE SAME.
AH, REALLY?
WOW~
CLAP
HEH.
OH, THIS IS LOOKING GOOD

THESE TWO PLACES STUCK OUT MOST WHEN I WAS SEARCHING.
SSH
OH, I SEE.

BUT MY OPINION IS A LITTLE DIFFERENT FROM THE DIRECTOR...
I FEEL THAT PHYLLIS IS A BETTER CANDIDATE THAN SEBRINO.

POINT
PHYLLIS, NOT SEBRINO?
EHH?
YES, PHYLLIS.

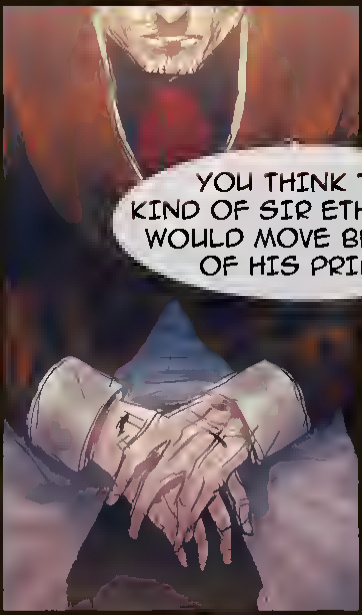

I THOUGHT IT WAS SEBRINO AT FIRST.
THE ONE AT THIS PLACE FEELS MORE LIKE SIR ETHERMASK'S OLD SELF.
RIGHT? WE THOUGHT THE SAME THING.

THEN, THIS PLACE IS MORE SURE, NO?
I CAN UNDERSTAND WHY THE DIRECTOR CHOSE THIS PLACE, BUT...
POINT
THE REASON I CHOSE PHYLLIS IS,
SSH

BECAUSE OF HIS FRUSTRATION AND CHANGE OF HEART.
FRUSTRATION AND CHANGE OF HEART?
YES, CHANGE OF HEART...
WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

SIR ETHERMASK'S CHANGE OF HEART?
THINK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED 8 YEARS AGO.
8 YEARS AGO?
UH-HUH.

YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO EASILY UNDERSTAND
HE LOST SOMEONE THAT HE HAD BEEN PROTECTING FOR THE PAST HUNDREDS OF YEARS AND EVEN LOST A 1 ON 1 BATTLE.
HOW DO YOU THINK HE WOULD HAVE FELT?
HE MUST HAVE FELT LIKE HE HAD LOST EVERYTHING, RIGHT?
AHH...



NO WAY. SIR ETHERMASK WOULDN'T HAVE A REASON FOR THAT

I'M SURE HE JUST WANTS TO FIND WHAT HE LOST AND MAKE THINGS GO BACK TO NORMAL
THIS IS ALL I'M SURE OF. HE WOULD DO IT BY ANY MEANS POSSIBLE

SSH
I BELIEVE HE WILL DO EVERYTHING IN HIS POWER TO TAKE ZENUS OUT.
THEN THE CHOICE WE'RE LEFT WITH IS THIS.
PHYLLIS.
POINT

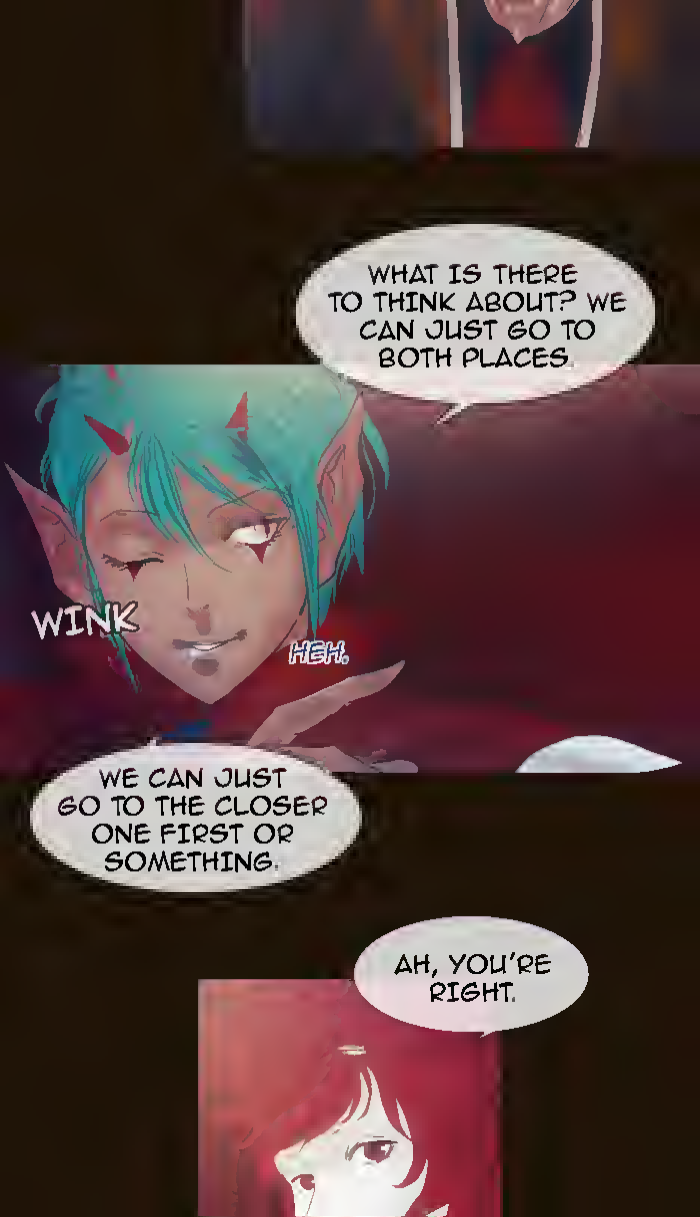
SIR ETHERMASK MIGHT BE CREATING AN ARMY OF PEOPLE WHO ARE AGAINST ZENUS.
SWEAT
WE DIDN'T THINK THAT DEEP INTO THIS.
HMM...
YES, HE MUST BE IN COMPLETE GRIEF. WE ALSO SAW HOW MUCH HE SUFFERED IN PERSON...
AND GAINING POWER TO MATCH UP AGAINST HIM.
NOD
OH~ THAT MAKES SENSE

SO, I'VE COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT HE IS IN PHYLLIS BECAUSE THE ONE IN SEBRINO CANNOT MATCH UP IN STRENGTH!!!
SLAM
THAT IS WHY I'M SURE HE IS IN PHYLLIS!!!

AH.... AFTER HEARING YOUR CONVINCING ARGUMENT,

IT SEEMS RIGHT.

YEAH, MAYBE THE DEPTH OF HIS FRUSTRATION AND DISAPPOINTMENT IS MUCH DEEPER THAN WE THOUGHT. HE'S LIVED FOR SUCH A LONG TIME...
RIGHT?
HAHAHAHA. IT SEEMS I HAVE MADE THINGS A BIT MORE COMPLICATED
GRAB


WHAT IS THERE TO THINK ABOUT? WE CAN JUST GO TO BOTH PLACES.
WINK
HEH.
WE CAN JUST GO TO THE CLOSER ONE FIRST OR SOMETHING.
AH, YOU'RE RIGHT.

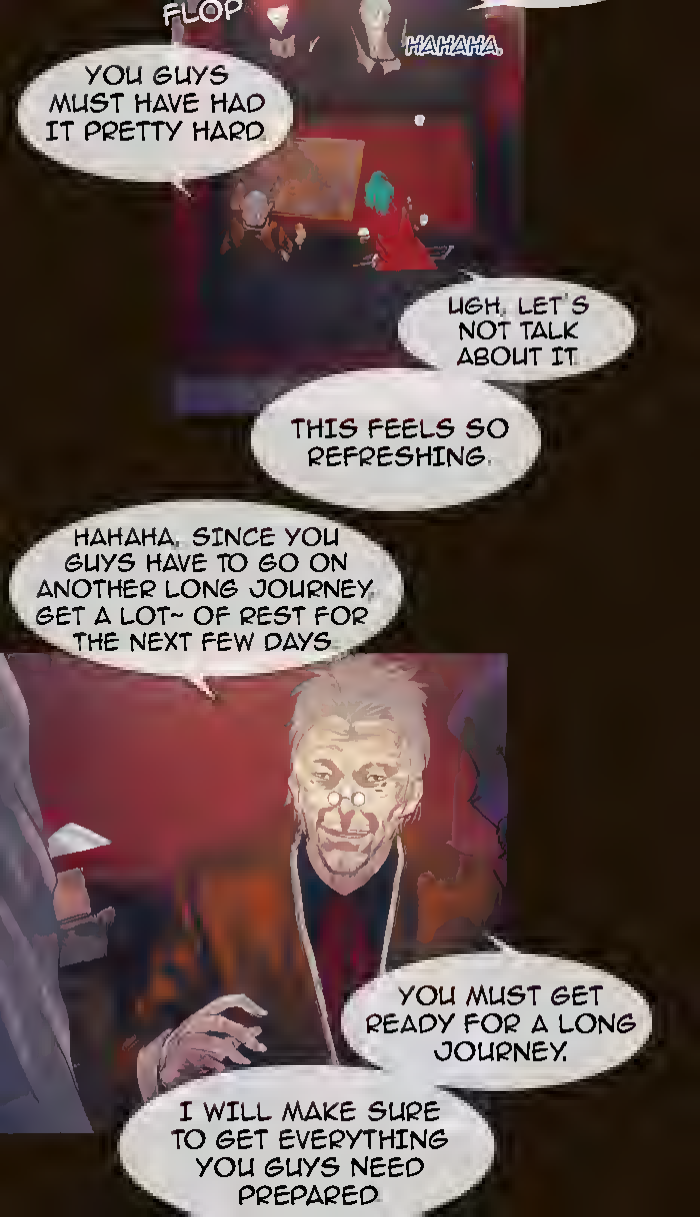
RUSH
MY MIND WENT BLANK AFTER ALL THIS TALKING.
HAHAHA. I DIDN'T THINK ABOUT THAT.
HAHAHA.
SILLY ME...
MY MIND IS SO CLUTTERED
YEAH. DON'T THINK TOO HARD

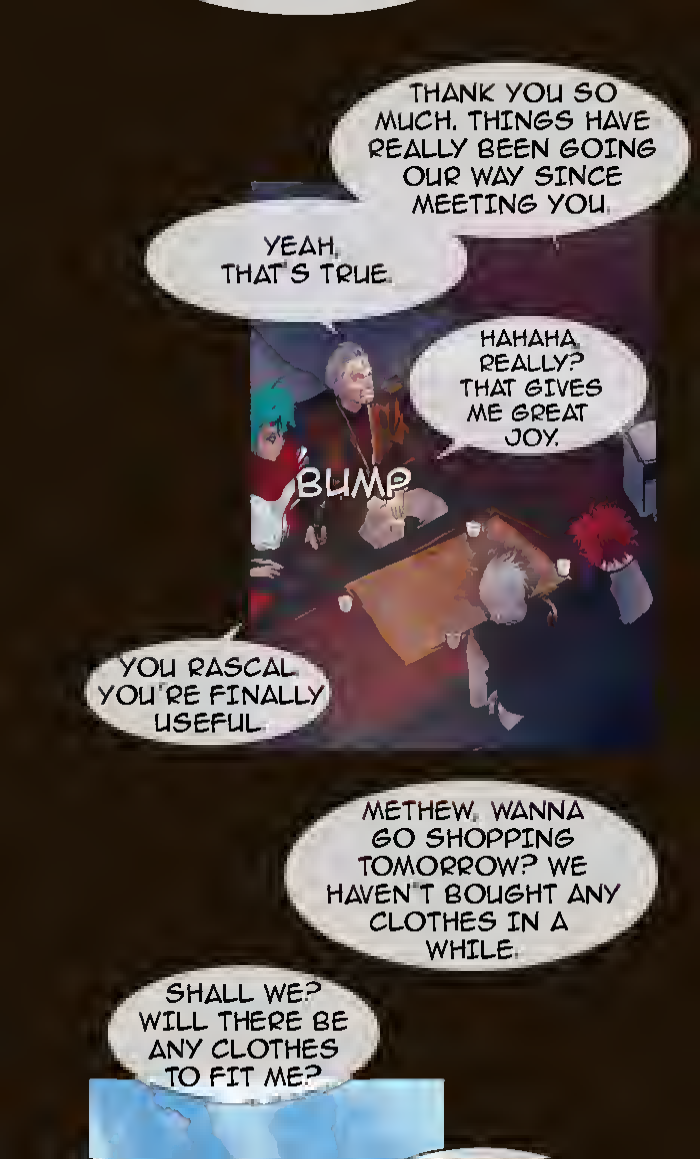
THEN, LET'S GO TO SEBRINO FIRST, AND IF HE ISN'T THERE, WE JUST NEED TO GO TO PHYLLIS.
IT WOULD BE BEST TO GO THIS WAY.
RIGHT.
THEN, I SHALL STAY HERE AND GATHER MORE INFORMATION.
WHO KNOWS WHEN GOOD INFORMATION WILL COME IN?
BINGO!
HAHAHA.

YEAH, THAT'S IT.
BUT EVEN IF YOU GATHER INFORMATION, IT WILL TAKE TOO LONG TO COME BACK.
HMM...
THAT'S THE PROBLEM. IT'S HARD TO GET IN CONTACT
HAHAHA.
I SEE. HMM... THAT IS A PROBLEM.
HAHAHAHA. DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT. YOU'RE GONNA GO TO PHYLLIS, ANYWAYS.

RIGHT?
IF I GET NEW INFORMATION, I CAN JUST SEND IT TO THE PHYLLIS MERCHANT ASSOCIATION ONCE YOU ARRIVE, YOU JUST NEED TO GO THERE TO GET IT
I SEE~
GRIN
THAT'S GREAT!

YOU'RE QUITE TALENTED. NOT TOO SHABBY~
OHH.
BUMP BUMP
HAHAHA. MY DECISION MAKING AND MY AGREEMENT ABILITIES IS WHAT BROUGHT ME UP HERE. DON'T LOOK DOWN ON A MERCHANT.
WOW~ ANYWAY, IT LOOKS LIKE WE'RE ON THE RIGHT TRACK.
I FINALLY FEEL LIKE I CAN BREATHE


FLOP
HAHAHA.
YOU GUYS MUST HAVE HAD IT PRETTY HARD
UGH. LET'S NOT TALK ABOUT IT
THIS FEELS SO REFRESHING.
HAHAHA. SINCE YOU GUYS HAVE TO GO ON ANOTHER LONG JOURNEY, GET A LOT~ OF REST FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS
YOU MUST GET READY FOR A LONG JOURNEY.
I WILL MAKE SURE TO GET EVERYTHING YOU GUYS NEED PREPARED


THANK YOU SO MUCH. THINGS HAVE REALLY BEEN GOING OUR WAY SINCE MEETING YOU.
YEAH, THAT'S TRUE.
HAHAHA. REALLY? THAT GIVES ME GREAT JOY.
BUMP
YOU RASCAL. YOU'RE FINALLY USEFUL.
METHEW, WANNA GO SHOPPING TOMORROW? WE HAVEN'T BOUGHT ANY CLOTHES IN A WHILE.
SHALL WE? WILL THERE BE ANY CLOTHES TO FIT ME?

OH, RIGHT. YOUR SIZE...
AHAHAHA... ALWAYS SO SAD.
SHOPPING AGAIN? ENZ IS GONNA END UP HAVING IT ROUGH AGAIN.
WHY IS THAT? YOU WERE QUIET UNTIL NOW, BUT THAT IS WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY?
I, I COULDN'T JUST JUMP IN. YOU GUYS ALL SEEMED SO SERIOUS.
NOT REALLY. I'M SURE THE WRITER JUST ENDED UP FORGETTING ABOUT YOU.
FLINCH
.....
ANYWAY, METHEW. SHALL WE GO SHOPPING ALL DAY TOMORROW? AND ENZ, YOU'RE COMING WITH US.

WHAT? WHY? AM I GOING AS THAT AGAIN?

WHAT IS THAT? YOU'RE TALKING TOO MUCH.

AH, OKAY. I'LL KEEP MY MOUTH SHUT.

AHAHAHA, HOW CUTE.

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